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Brand presents progress updates on goals, budget

By LIZZIE MCDERMOTT
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — On Jan. 23, Wilmington Superintendent of Schools Dr. Glenn Brand shared the official mid-year progress update on his performance goals originally read and approved at the beginning of the school year.

The three main goals were the completion of an entry plan, which Brand has characterized as complete at this point, in addition to the coordinated program review and strategic plan development, which are still in progress at this time.

The coordinate program review corrective action plan consists of a report of findings, which was shared in September, in addition to a number of trainings, many of which are still taking place. The strategic plan development, which began with a proposal to the School Committee in

October, involves an effort to include stakeholders collectively across the school community and the town in general. It is scheduled to continue throughout May.

"It's an ambitious timeline or time frame, and certainly I'm keenly aware of that," said Brand, adding that he was also optimistic that everything could be completed on schedule.

Committee member David Ragsdale noted that the last step listed for strategic planning and action steps was meeting with leadership and town meetings. He asked what the logistical, endgame plan for writing up a policy would be.

"In the end, someone needs to actually put words on paper and write this up as an actual plan for us to eventually discuss and vote on," Ragsdale said.

Brand responded that

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School Committee favors posting of supt. contract

By LIZZIE MCDERMOTT
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — At a meeting on Jan. 23, the Wilmington School Committee appeared to heavily favor posting of the superintendent's contract online, but not those of individual employees. The discussion was tabled before a vote was taken in order to include the opinions of two members not in attendance.

The discussion came about as the town reexamines its policies regarding the posting of a variety of municipal employment contracts. These contracts include those of both the Town Manager and the superintendent, as well as other school and government employees. The original request was made by the finance committee, and according to Superintendent Dr. Glenn Brand, there is no definitive timeline for the process.

According to Vice Chairman Jennifer Bryson, the committee sees three options regarding the posting. The first is to keep everything exactly as it is now, the second is to post every contract, and the third is to post collective bargaining agreements and Brand's contract, but not individual contracts.

Bryson shared research from committee chairman Julie Broussard on the policies of other nearby districts. According to Broussard's research, Burlington and Reading post all municipal and school collective bargaining, but the superintendent and individual contracts were not readily accessible. Andover posts collective bargaining agreements, municipal contracts, school contracts, and the Town Manager's contract.

School Committee member MJ Byrnes favored

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▲ Happy Valentine's Day from the new owners of Designs by Don, Megan Godding and Kathleen Strazzere.

(photo: BruceHilliard.com)

New owners at Designs by Don share his passion

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Wilmington florist Designs by Don welcomes new owners Megan Godding and Kathleen Strazzere, taking over for previous owner Don Hill. Godding has worked with Hill at the shop since she was a teenager, and is also his daughter-in-law, and Strazzere is her best friend. The two grew up together in Wilmington schools and played different sports together through high school before they graduated in 2006.

Don Hill started Designs by Don in 1989, shortly after teaching at Rittners School of Floral Design. He first graduated from Rittners in 1963. Besides running his own business,

he helped open and support several other local floral shops, including one in Nashua, NH.

"Don has a wealth of knowledge and we love having him," said Kathleen Strazzere.

He'll continue to help Godding and Strazzere through their transition into ownership, telling the dynamic duo everything about the business that they'll need for success.

Hill's daughter-in-law, Megan Godding, has turned the job of her dreams into a reality 15 years later.

"I remember coming in here as a little girl and being captivated," she told the *Town Crier*. "I couldn't think of doing anything else."

Working for Hill over the years has started to prepare her to take over and

everything fell into place as her father-in-law decided to retire. She also earned her associate's degree from Middlesex Community College in the meantime.

To make her dream job even better, Godding brought her best friend as co-owner.

"Kat's good at the business side of things," she shared.

Kathleen 'Kat' Strazzere got her undergraduate degree from UMass Lowell in Criminal Justice with a minor in Psychology. She worked at Lucci's Supermarket on and off through college before she held a managerial role at a day spa in North Reading.

Following in Hill's footsteps, Strazzere and Godding only want to fine-tune the business he started and

ran so well for years. Changes they've made so far include a new POS system to keep track of all activity, new flooring, an update to their website, and a social media presence.

"We're just giving it a facelift," Strazzere said.

The intent behind everything that they do is to make someone happy and provide them service that they can count on.

These two new owners will try any kind of request and always guarantee the quality of their product.

"We get our flowers every day in fresh from the flower market... we take pride in making sure that they're clean," said Godding.

While they are sometimes limited by the flowers that

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Keane donates hair to Locks of Love

By CASSIA BURNS
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — On Jan. 25, Amanda Keane, a reporter with Springfield's Western Mass News, cut off 10 inches of hair to donate to Locks of Love.

Keane was raised in Wil-

lington, where she attended Wilmington High School as member of the class of 2011. At Wilmington High School, she was a student-athlete, playing basketball, volleyball, lacrosse, and soccer. She excelled in basketball, where she earned All-Star status within the Cape Ann League and from the Lowell Sun.

In her senior year, she served as the team's captain, and was selected to play in the 2011 Agganis All Star Game. During high school, she was also named the Performing Arts Student of the Year and Health Dynamics Student of the Year.

After graduating from Wil-

lington High School, Keane attended Roger Williams University, where she continued her basketball career and majored in Journalism. She graduated in 2015.

Keane's recent donation was her second in commemoration of World Cancer Day, which was on Feb. 4. Inspired by her aunt, whom she lost to breast cancer, and other cancer patients, she decided to donate her hair in order to enable positive change within the lives of the patients and provide an increased sense of identity.

"When they lose their hair they kind of lose a little bit

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▲ AMANDA KEANE

(photo courtesy @AmandaKeaneTV)

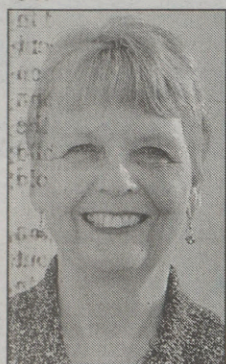
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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Tickets on sale for Sound Off A Capella concert

Sound Off A Cappella Concert

Friday, March 1, 7 pm
Formed in 2013, Sound Off is an award-winning semi-professional a cappella group based in Boston, MA and proud member of the Contemporary A Cappella League (CAL). They are young men and women from all different career fields brought together by an unabashed love for a cappella music and performance. While they perform regularly around the Greater Boston area, Sound Off continues to develop a diverse repertoire of modern pop with a soulful twist. Join us for this fun and entertaining "unplugged" concert and some light refreshments! (9th grade and up, \$10 Students, \$15 adults)

Upcoming Events

Registration begins 30 days prior to the event. Please register online using our Calendar of Events at www.wilmingtonlibrary.org or by calling (978) 694-2099 (for Adult) or (978) 694-2098 (for Youth). Please note we request registration for programs that are marked *RR. Adult programs are recommended for those 16 years of age and older.

LinkedIn Basics *RR

Monday, February 11, 10 am
Learn why LinkedIn is pivotal to your job search. Gain the attributes of a stronger LinkedIn profile. Master the skills of navigation needed for networking, interview prep, and researching your target industries and organizations. We'll also talk about how the core competencies of your resume can be pulled

led directly from your LinkedIn account. Come with your questions, leave with confidence. This hands on class is taught by MassHire staff.

How to Knit *RR

Tuesday, February 12, 7 pm
Curl up with a handmade blanket on a cold winter night. Avid knitter Jen Tierney will teach the basics of knitting. You'll be knitting one and purling two in no time! Please register at main desk. \$5, ages 16+.

CSI: Fact & Fiction *RR

Wednesday, February 13, 7 pm
Do popular crime shows on television accurately depict the role of forensic science in solving crimes? Discuss the myths and realities of crime scene investigations

with Professor Mike Cross, Department Chair of Natural Sciences at Northern Essex Community College. You'll learn the strengths and limitations of modern forensics and have the chance to test your own skills at crime solving.

Letter Love *RR

Thursday, February 14, 6:30 pm

We may think we learned everything we need to know about the alphabet in kindergarten, but calligraphy allows us to see the 26 letters in a whole new way. From medieval monks working on vellum to contemporary artists, Susan Kapuscinski Gaylord explores the history of calligraphy and the basic principles of pen lettering. Participants will be introduced to the basic principles of holding and writing with a broad edge marker. They will be given a handout to continue work at home. Please register at main desk. \$10. Ages 16+.

Poetry Circle *RR

Saturday, February 16, 9:15 am-11:30 am

Love poetry? The poetry circle is a great opportunity to meet other poets and get constructive feedback in a

supportive environment. When registering, please provide your email address so you can receive an agenda and any prep materials in advance. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras.

Kids & Teen Events

Drop-In Storytime

Friday, February 8, 10 am
Drop in for stories, songs, rhymes and a fun craft! Space is limited. Tickets will be distributed on a first come, first-served basis. Ages 2-5 and one or more adults

R.E.A.D. Middle Grade Book Club *RR

Friday, February 8, 3:45 pm
Read, Eat and Discuss The Apprentice Witch by James Nicol. Pick up a copy at the library. Grades 4-5

Drop-In Baby Times

Saturday, February 9, 9:30 am
Babies and their caregivers will enjoy this fun storytime that includes rhymes, songs, books, scarves, shakers, bubbles and more. Infants through 24 months

Stories and Sweets

Saturday, February 9, 10:30 am

Start your Saturday morning with great stories (and songs and rhymes) and a few sweet treats at this special family storytime. Ages 2-5 and one or more adults!

Kids Kraft: Beaded Heart Window Hanger

Saturday, February 9, 2 pm
Make this super cute heart window hanger sure to warm the hearts of those around you. This craft is led by 3 Wilmington High School students. Grades 1-5

Pokémon Club *RR

Saturday, February 9, 3 pm
Join other Pokémon lovers to play the game, trade cards and have fun! Grades 1-5

Baby Laptime *RR

Monday, February 11, 9:30 am
Join us for a morning of songs, tickles, bounces, and rhymes perfect for little pre-walking babies and their caregivers. Infants-18 months

Exploration Station: Building and Architecture *RR

Monday, February 11, 10:30 am
Explore the world of owls through hands on activities. Ages 3-5

Book Stew: The man who defeated Dachau

WILMINGTON — On the February Book Stew episode, host Eileen MacDougall interviews Gary Reiner, son of Kurt and Hennie, Jewish refugees from Austria who came to the US to escape the Nazis.

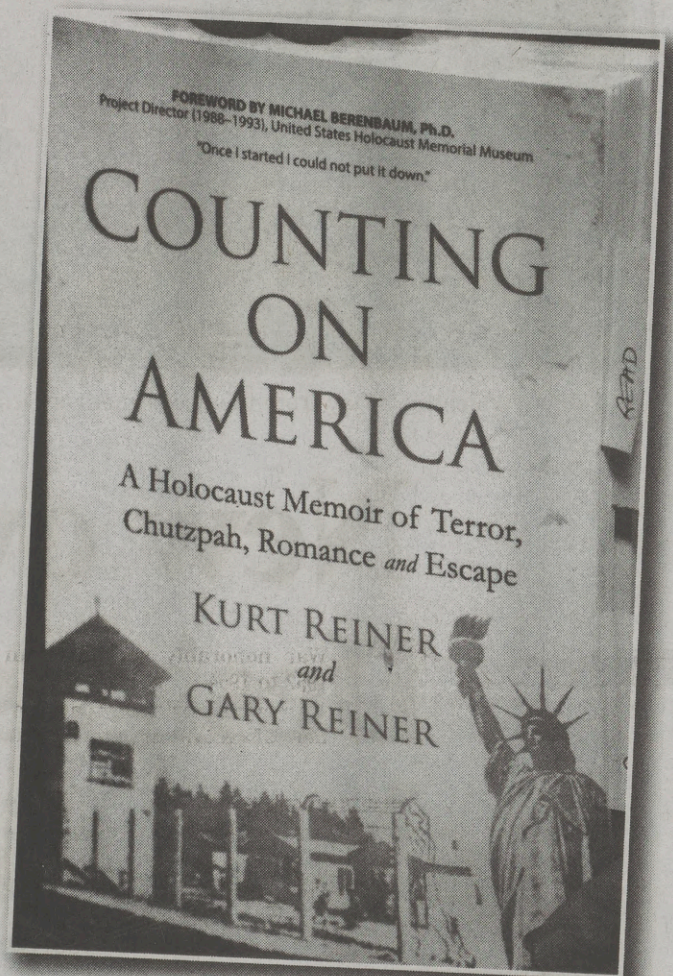
Until he was a teenager, Gary himself knew nothing about his father Kurt's internment and release from the Dachau work camp, his parents' incredibly perilous migration through Italy and France, and the murders of the rest of their families in concentration camps.

Kurt wrote a memoir, filled with documents and photos,

which Gary edited and completed after his father's death. *Counting On America* is filled with remarkable stories of coincidence, revenge, rescue, bravery, brutality, and life-saving kindness.

Please check out the new Book Stew episode on WCTV on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m., and Saturday at noon.

To watch online, use this link for the latest episode <http://wctv.org/book-stew/>. Instructions are also available at that link for finding and viewing any of the prior 64 Book Stew programs.



Three students make Dean's List at Northeastern Univ.

BOSTON — Northeastern University is pleased to recognize those students who distinguish themselves academically during the course of the school year. The following local students were recently named to the University's dean's list for the fall semester, which ended in December 2018.

In addition to achieving distinction through the dean's list, they are members of the University Honors Program, which offers high caliber students the chance to further hone their studies and interests, live in special interest on-campus housing, and participate in one or two honors courses each term. Invitation into the honors program is highly competitive and students must maintain a high GPA and strong commitment to campus leadership to remain a part.

To achieve the dean's list distinction, students must carry a full program of at least four courses, have a quality point average of 3.5 or greater out of a possible 4.0 and carry no single grade lower than a C- during the course of their college career. Each student receives a letter of commendation and congratulatory from their college dean.

- Wilmington resident Gillian Lentini, a Northeastern University student majoring in Computer Science
- Wilmington resident Bradley Priem, a Northeastern University student majoring in Chemical Engineering
- Wilmington resident Aditya Gautham, a Northeastern University student majoring in Behavioral Neuroscience

Cadogan named to Dean's List at Siena College

LOUDONVILLE, NY — Bridget Cadogan has been named to the Siena College Dean's List for the Fall 2018 semester. Cadogan is from Wilmington.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student's grade point

average for the semester must be between 3.5 and 3.89. Founded in 1937, Siena College is a private, Catholic Franciscan, residential, liberal arts college with a student body of about 3,000. Siena College offers 36 degree programs, 80+ minors and certificate programs, and professional curricula in teacher preparation/education, pre-medical, pre-law and social work.

A student-to-faculty ratio of 12-to-1, average class size

of 21, rigorous academics, Division I athletics, intramural sports and widespread service and advocacy experiences nurture each student's personal growth while providing the education of a lifetime.

News and notes from WCTV

By SHAUN NEVILLE
WCTV Executive Director

Tune into WCTV this weekend for a pair of live events. On Saturday, WCTV will air Congressman Seth Moulton's Town Hall Forum from the Town Hall Auditorium at 1 p.m. The Congressman is scheduled to answer questions from the audience, and it should be interesting to hear his take on all that's going on Washington right now.

On Sunday at 2 p.m., we'll be airing the Joanne Benton Auditorium naming dedication ceremony at Wilmington High School. This should be a great community event and it'll include a video that WCTV has put together in

collaboration with the music department. You're not going to want to miss it.

Both of these events will air live on our new WCTV "main channel": Comcast 9, Verizon 37. For those who are out of town, you can watch them on our website at wctv.org/live or through the WCTV App.

Then, on Monday night, we're holding an "All About WCTV" event at the Wilmington Memorial Library. Stop in at 7 p.m. to meet our staff, hear about what our station is all about and even see some of the equipment that is available to anyone in

the community. If you've ever wanted to learn more about the station and how you or your community group can get involved, this should be an informative evening. It's open to anyone in Wilmington.

Next Wednesday, there are a pair of live meetings on WCTV. Tune into our main channel at 7 p.m. for the Board of Appeals, which is expected to further discuss last month's decision to deny a permit for a proposed detox facility. The School Committee is meeting at the same time and will be focused on next year's proposed budget. That will air on our WCTV Meetings Channel: Comcast 22, Verizon 38.

generated more than 65,000 views! It shows us that WCTV is a vital community resource and we hope you agree.

New Programs:

- WHS Boys Hockey vs. Melrose
- WHS Girls Hockey Senior Day Ceremony
- Board of Selectmen Budget Meeting
- Book Stew: Eileen MacDougall interviews Gary Reiner, co-author of *Counting On America*, the true story of his parents' escape from the Nazis.

- Where's Wilmington: Shawsheen Tech students share their experiences with the school's new eSports club for gamers.
- Pizza Wars: Watch highlights from the annual fundraiser for Relay for Life.
- Scholarship Information: The WHS Guidance Department offers tips to seniors on college applications and scholarships.

Check out WCTV.org for more information on when programs will be televised and how you can get involved at your community television station. Membership is free and there's no time commitment. Produce a show, help in studio or cover a community event that you care about! We're here to make the process as simple as possible.

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Because of this law change, retirees who receive a monthly pension or annuity check may need to raise or lower the amount of tax they pay in during the year. The easiest way to do that is to use the Withholding Calculator or read Publication 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax. Though primarily designed for employees who receive wages, this online tool can also help those who receive pension or annuity payments on a regular schedule, usually monthly or quarterly.

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Somewhere in Wilmington lie the bones of Sarah E. Carter, who died in May 1899 and was buried at the point of a triangular stone wall. But exactly where that might be is a mystery.

There are probably other unmarked graves in town, but the following story gives this spot significance. It is a tale about a barrel of gold coins having been found in Wilmington. It is entertaining to speculate where the coins might have been buried.

The story, written by Frank Furlan, appeared in the *Wilmington Crusader* in Oct. 1952. Mr. Furlan lived on Shawsheen Avenue.

Little Sarah had a dream. She dreamed of wealth; she reveled temporarily in a superabundance of golden play things; she was supremely happy — and then she woke up.

Then a couple of nights later, she had another dream. This time, her floating vision penetrated the mysteries of space, and she gazed upon stacks of golden coins. Again she had money to burn, and again, she was happy in the momentary possession of the natural element which brings joy to the heart of all of the human race — and then again, Sarah woke up.

Sarah was but a child — the daughter of a poor farmer who long ago lived on a small farm in Wilmington, Mass. She was shy and did not like to speak of her two dreams.

History:

Little Sarah dreamed of gold

To be sure, the geni of dreamland had taken special precautions in directing the wandering fancy of the child dreamer, and had even carried her range of perception to a three-cornered stone wall which surrounded her father's cow pasture, and there he had shown her a barrel filled with gold coins.

Sarah's father was a plain every-day sort of man who did not place much stock in the relative values of dreams as a matter of individual sustenance, and thus Sarah hesitated in relating the peculiar vision which had crept into her little head as she lay asleep in the attic room. During the daytime she stole to the spot where her dream had directed her, and she sat on the three-cornered stone wall and wondered where in the world all the beautiful gold pieces could be that she had seen so plainly in her sleep.

A few nights later, Sarah dreamed again, and this time in her dream, she travelled in fancy to the three-cornered stone wall, and as though by some invisible force, the ground was upturned right at the junction of the wall. She seemed to see through the ground, and she discovered a

barrel the same one she had seen before, the sides seemed to fall away as if by magic, and there before her the country lass saw thousands of gold coins, which seemed to her like the greatest fortune in all the world. She ran forward to scoop some of the gold pieces up in her apron. But then Sarah again woke up.

The third vision caused Sarah some uneasiness. Child as she was, she felt sure that there must have been something real about the barrel of gold, for she had seen it so distinctly, and she had even marked the spot where it lay buried. And yet, she dared not tell her parents, for fear of being thrashed for being superstitious or a lazy, dreaming girl.

As luck would have it, however, Sarah's parents died during the following year, and the orphan child was found out by the good kind charitable officers to a horny-fisted old farmer named John Schrader, who operated a small farm a few miles from Lawrence.

Three months after her arrival at the home of the whiskered farmer, Sarah was again visited by her dream geni. Again in fancy, she sat on the wall of her father's cow pasture, and again she saw

and played with the stacks of gold coins.

Despite his roughness, there was an air of gentleness in old John Schrader, and he soon made Sarah feel at home in his company. The child, having no friends of her own to share the secret, finally decided to tell her guardian of the several peculiar dreams she had had.

Schrader was a native of Switzerland. He believed reverently in dreams. He listened in awed wonder at the strange story which the strange little drudge was telling him, and then like the good old man that he was, he bade the child to say nothing about her dreams to anyone until he had investigated just what there was in the vision.

Two days later, John Schrader arrived in Wilmington in his farm wagon with little Sarah.

The child directed him unfalteringly to the spot where she had seen the buried treasure in her visions. The old man went to work with his spade. He worked with the energy of desperation. He was fearful lest someone should happen along the road and discover what he was trying to find. The child sat perched in the wagon, watching the work

of the man who was trying to locate the treasure of which she had a dream.

She knew it was there and it was due possibly to her air of childish conviction that John Schrader worked as he had never worked before in digging a deep hole at the point where the walls formed a junction.

He had made a hole five feet in depth before his pick struck something hard. The perspiration was standing out on his face in great drops, but still he worked rapidly on until at last he uncovered what appeared to be the head of a powder barrel or keg. The rest was easy. In a few moments, the entire keg was uncovered and by a few well-directed blows with the pick, off went the head, and there just as Sarah had seen in her dreams lay the gold coins. Schrader scooped up the money up in his hat. He was frantic with joy. He leaped and danced about like a madman. He threw the money into the wagon by the hatful. How much in total value he found, no one will ever know, but it is generally supposed that there was no less than \$125,000 in the hidden keg.

The good people of Wilmington performed an act of royal

generosity when, by popular subscription, they raised the sum of \$70, which they used in giving Sarah Carter a decent burial, the grave being dug on the very spot from where John Schrader years before dug the treasure of which the child had dreamed, now an old woman.

No one about Wilmington has ever heard anything about John Schrader knew how or in what manner the keg of gold could have gotten into the place where it was found. But the fact remains on the town records of Wilmington that a keg of gold was found by John Schrader, and the records further state that the remarkable discovery was made possible by the vision which came to Sarah Carter.

(Editor's note: There is a record in the Town Clerk's files of the death of Sarah E. Carter on May 27, 1899, listing her age as 77 years, one month and one day.

There is no record of her birth.

There were eight Carter families of child-bearing age living in Wilmington in 1822. There are births listed in 1822 for three, making it quite unlikely that they could be her parents. One possibility is Alfred and Susan Carter. Susan Carter died in 1826, but there is no death listed for her husband.

As for Furlan's statement about the town records stating that a keg of gold was found, it may be true, but nobody knows of such a reference.)

OBITUARIES

Elisabeth 'Bette' (Sottile) Lewin Secretary of Ryan, Wynn School Councils

Elisabeth "Bette" (Sottile) Lewin, of Tewksbury, MA, entered into rest Feb. 3, 2019 at 70 years of age.

Beloved wife of Barry Lewin of Tewksbury, MA. Devoted mother of Leah Weiss and her husband Alex of Dracut, MA; and Jaclyn Lewin and her husband Juan Saura of Madrid, Spain. Loving daughter of Louise (Wynne) Sottile of Huger, SC and the late Salvador Sottile.

Dear sister of Charlotte Sottile of Columbia, SC; Nicholas Sottile and his wife Val of Huger, SC; Susan Momeier and her husband Chris of Mt. Pleasant, SC; and William Sottile and his wife Terri of Oceanside, CA.

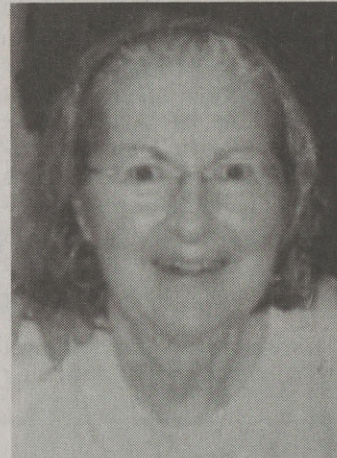
Bette was active in the community. She was the treasurer of the Tewksbury Democratic Party, the secretary of the Dewing PAC, the secretary of

the Ryan and Wynn School Councils, and the treasurer of the Congregation Shalom sisterhood.

Bette was a member of the quilting club at the senior center, and her Temple's Mahjong club.

Bette was beloved in the community. Her cheerful disposition and bright smile were a beacon that drew people to her. No one ever said a negative thing about her. She will be dearly missed.

The funeral was Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 12:30 p.m. at Stanet-sky Memorial Chapel, 1668 Beacon St., Brookline, MA. (Livestreaming of service available at <http://distant-link.com/stanetsky.html>) Internment to follow at Montifore Cemetery, Central St., Woburn. Shiva will be held at her late residence on Wednesday following the internment



until 9 p.m. (service at 7:30 p.m.), Thursday 2 - 4 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m. (service at 7:30 p.m.), and Friday 2 - 4 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Bette's memory may be made to The Michael J. Fox Foundation or to the Southern Poverty Law Center.

Kerin Jean Parker

Worked at Wonder Years Learning Center

Kerin Jean Parker, age 37, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away on Jan. 30, 2019 at the Lahey Clinic in Burlington.

Kerin was born on Nov. 21, 1981 in Lowell, MA; she was the cherished daughter of Debra (White) Parker of Wilmington and the late Dennis Parker. Kerin was raised in Wilmington and graduated from Wilmington High School with the Class of 1999.

Kerin worked as a daycare worker at the Wonder Years Learning Center in Wilmington. Over the summer, she worked at the Girl Scouts Camp in Andover. Kerin loved children and enjoyed playing games and making crafts with the kids.

Kerin enjoyed dressing up and being creative with her

hair & make-up. She was very fashionable and loved to accessorize. Kerin also loved animals; she was very nurturing and enjoyed caring for them.

Kerin was the loving granddaughter of Barbara White of Wilmington, dear niece of Nancy Markgren & her husband Russ of Wells, ME, Cindy Barcellos & her husband Michael of Wilmington, cousin of Lucas Markgren, Derek Markgren & his wife Megan, Stefany Barcellos and Kate Barcellos. Kerin is also survived by her Parker aunts, uncles and cousins.

Family and friends gathered for Visitation at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62) Wilmington, on Monday, Feb. 4th from 12 - 1 p.m. immediately followed



by a Funeral Service at 1 p.m.

Memorial donations in Kerin's name may be made to the MSPCA at Nevins Farm, 400 Broadway, Methuen, MA 01844.

www.nicholsfuneralhome.com

Americo R. Rulli US Army veteran served in Korean War

Americo R. Rulli, of Danvers and a former longtime resident of Wilmington passed away peacefully, Feb. 4, 2018.

He was 87 years of age.

Americo was the beloved husband of the late Antonina (Lauria) Rulli. Born in Boston he was one of seven children of the late Antonio and Domenica (DeMeis) Rulli.

Americo was raised and attended school in Medford. He was a decorated United States Army veteran of the Korean War honorably serving from 1952 to 1954.

Americo worked for a number of years as an Engine Cleaner at Conrail freight yard in Allston. He also worked for many years prior to his retirement as a self-employed interior painter.

Very talented with his hands, Americo enjoyed wood crafting and spending time tending to his garden. He also enjoyed horse racing, traveling and vacations in Maine. However,

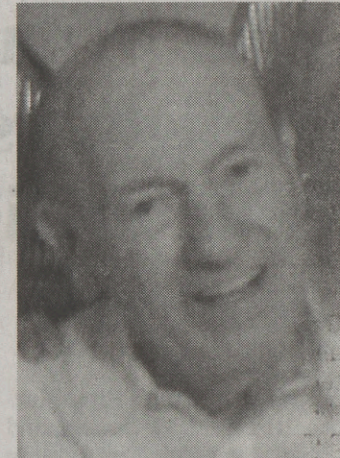
his greatest joy was his family and nothing made him happier than to spend time with his children and grandson.

He will be greatly missed. In addition to his late wife and parents, Americo is sadly predeceased by his sisters, Viola Rulli, Mary Gifun, and Josephine DeFazio.

He is survived by his children, Anthony Rulli and his wife Kimberly of Billerica, Diane Toomey and her husband Richard of Danvers. He was the loving grandfather of Richard J. Toomey of Methuen.

Brother of Helen Cahill of Illinois, Hilda Cara and Anthony Rulli, both of Burlington.

Family and friends were respectfully invited to gather at the Dello Russo Family Funeral Home, 374 Main St., WILMINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 7, at 9 a.m. followed by a funeral Mass celebrated in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave, Wilmington, at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with Military Honors and



burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

It has been requested that in lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Americo's memory to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942 or Care Dimensions Hospice, 75 Sylvan St., Suite B-102, Danvers, MA 01923. To leave an online message of condolence please visit www.dellorosso.net

Eason named to Dean's List at University of Delaware

NEWARK, DE — Sarah Eason of Tewksbury has been named to the University of Delaware's Dean's List for the Fall 2018 semester.

To meet eligibility requirements for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled full-time and earn a GPA of 3.33 or above (on a 4.0 scale) for the semester.

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Langone named to Dean's List at Castleton University

CASTLETON, VT — Andrew Langone of Tewksbury was recently named to the Castleton University Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2018-19 academic year.

To qualify for this academic honor, the student must maintain full-time status

and a semester grade point average of 3.5.

Castleton University is small enough to be a community where every student matters, yet offers more than 75 programs of study for undergraduate and graduate students, 28 varsity

sports, and over 50 clubs and organizations.

The university stresses experiential learning through internships, community service and research opportunities provided by more than 400 community partnerships.

Langone graduates from Castleton University

CASTLETON, VT — Andrew Langone of Tewksbury graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in Sports Administration from Cas-

tleton University following the successful completion of the fall semester in December 2018.

Graduates will be recog-

nized during the 232nd Commencement on Saturday, May 18 at the Castleton Pavilion.

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OPINION

Letters to the editor

Book Stew Review

The Language of Sand by Ellen Block

By EILEEN MACDOUGALL

This gentle novel takes place in an island off N. Carolina's Outer Banks, where lexicographer Abigail Harker lands after the tragic loss of her husband and young son. Sight unseen, she rents a decrepit lighthouse keeper's cottage and slowly adjusts to of belife on Chapel Isle in the off-season.

Charmingly, each chapter begins with an illustration, A-Z, of an unusual

word and its definition. Abby's transformation of her living quarters and her growing involvement with the eccentric residents is quite charming, and rather than saving it for a summer beach read, my suggestion is to use its warmth now, in the deep midwinter, when we all really need it.

And there's a sequel, *The Definition Of Wind*, so I'm looking forward to seeing how Abby fares during the summer season on the island.

Bullying, kindness and drones

By PAUL J. ANDREWS
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Chairman of the Board of Winchester Hospital

This column, as I do often, covers a variety of topics including bullying, kindness, drones, some Morning Pulse comments and a little bit about repeated television ads.

Kindness counts

I have in recent times seen a decrease in "kindness" in some interesting ways. For example, so often I see the "holding of doors" for folks entering is not the way it used to be, as I was spoiled by a custom where you perhaps "had" to do this for members of the clergy, teachers, professors, etc.

The problem now is that I see less and less of this going on, especially in malls or stores where kindness is the exception rather than the rule. This bothers me but my feelings are that generally people are good and when the issue is brought to their attention by many, there can be an improvement and a change.

For example, how often do you see an older person struggling with moving groceries at a supermarket to their car from a carriage? I see this so often and in fact feel that it is normal to stop and ask if you can help. Some folks will say they are fine, while others feel delighted to be assisted. As we know all people are different and react in their own manner.

Many take for granted the common sense of kindness when it is offered. Trying to find a place to park at the State House, this past week, the spaces were filled but one member of the

State House staff stepped out of his car to say he was leaving in 10 minutes and he would save the space until I made the trip around two of the Beacon Hill blocks and came back, which I did and we made the exchange. To me this was an act of kindness, as I had a meeting beginning in 15 minutes.

Kindness seems to be an in-built quality, as some people or students have it or not and to me, can be such a rewarding experience. I always feel something special by just simply holding a door or giving my place in line to an older or handicapped person. I just feel that our current generation of parents need to highlight this concept along with so many other components.

Bullying

These past few weeks The Herald has been running a very comprehensive series of articles on bullying and one of them included my conversation with a reporter who was doing this fine series. I have often felt that bullying was one of the highest forms of misbehavior and could not tolerate it in any manner, as a young man growing up years ago, as a student, teacher, superintendent or in whatever capacity I served.

I had seen on many occasions episodes of bullying going-on or beginning to happen, before I or someone else stepped in to stop the action from taking place or by breaking students apart. I always worried that we had not done enough in the area of bullying-prevention in our schools (all schools private and public), leaving some room for techniques to handle language bullying, physical bullying, employee bullying

or even psychological bullying, plus other forms I missed, but readers know what I mean.

First, I feel bullying of any kind is wrong and has no excuse. Correcting bullying, as early in the process as possible is not simple and needs the total support of family members, who must see some of the seeds of this at home. I really never believe that the "perfect" young man or woman at home leaves the door and throws a switch to turn on being a bully.

Drones and the danger issue

When the concept of the use of drones began to become real, I heard so many people raising the question of the dangers that could emanate from the use of these in the wrong hands. Don't get me wrong, I see plenty of use for these in the area of national security and law enforcement but I have a hard time to go much further with the exception of the news media in the right hands of knowing their unit is solidly at the proper lever and away from any pending passing helicopters or aircraft or other law enforcement investigation.

Recent episodes of drones near major airports have reinforced this concern. As the drones are becoming larger and more popular, the fear factor sets in that there should be much stronger control on their use.

Repeating TV ads

I wonder how many folks have wondered, as I have, why television ads are often repeated with the same ad run twice, which I have often pondered and felt was a waste of time and

money. Since I kept seeing the same thing over, the past two years, I thought to myself, there is something here I do not know. After making this a more concentrated process, I began to figure it out.

What I thought was the same ad really was not seen the same way, as alternate photos and language in early components of a TV ad are often easily missed and picked up more and more, depending on how often you watched the commercial. The vast world of "television commercial development" won their case, and running an ad double, had more value than I ever imagined.

JUST A NOTE — Thanks for taking your time to read my column and list of thoughts but want to add a few Morning Pulse statements including: the insurance lobby calls for greater access to annuities; Aramark delays bonus payouts for thousands of managers, slashes 401k match; oil prices edge upwards after US imposes sanctions on Venezuela; trade war sees China provinces slashing growth forecasts for 2019; China just injected a record amount of money to stimulate its economy; super wealthy getting younger; Pentagon to review Amazon employee's influence over \$10 billion government contract; massive data breach means it's time to change your password — again and millions of mortgage, loan documents were exposed online in massive security lapse; the Delaware data breach affects 5 companies and 650 consumers.

Feel free to contact me at andrews@massup.org or follow me on twitter at @Paulandrewsmass.

Four Wilmington firefighters graduate state firefighting academy

STOW — State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey and Massachusetts Firefighting Academy (MFA) Director David C. Evans announced the graduation of the 270th class of the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy's 50-day Career Recruit Firefighter Training Program on February 1, 2019.

This rigorous professional training provides our newest firefighters with the basic skills to perform their jobs effectively and safely," said State Fire Marshal Ostroskey.

The Massachusetts Firefighting Academy (MFA), a division of the Department of Fire Services, offers this program tuition-free. The ceremony took place at the Department of Fire Services in Stow.

36 Graduates from 19 Fire Departments
The 36 graduates, all men, represent the 20 fire departments of Bellingham, Cambridge, Charlton, Cohasset, Falmouth, Hudson, Kingston, Leominster, Lexington, Marshfield, Middleton, Sandwich, Scituate, Somerville, Truro, Waltham, Wayland, Westford, Westport, and Wilmington.

Guest Speaker:
Everett Fire Lieutenant Scott Dalrymple
The guest speaker was Everett Fire Lieutenant Scott Dalrymple, who has 25 years of experience as an EMT, fire officer, fire instructor and fire investigator. He holds a bachelor's from Salem State College and graduated from Career Recruit Firefighter Class #105.

Lt. Dalrymple was injured fighting a fire in an apartment

ment house on July 13, 2018 and is still recovering from his burn injuries. The two owners have been charged with reckless violation of fire and building codes associated with the fire building that resulted in bodily injury.

This law was passed in the wake of the 2003 Station Nightclub fire. Lt. Dalrymple spoke to the recruits the importance of training and paying attention to how to protect yourself.

He said, "Never think your protective gear makes you invulnerable" and to "rely on your 'saving ourselves' training when things go south quickly."

Today's Firefighters Do Far More than Fight Fires

Today's firefighters do far more than fight fires. They are the first ones called to respond to chemical and environmental emergencies, ranging from the suspected presence of carbon monoxide to a gas leak. They may be called to rescue a child who has fallen through the ice or who has locked himself in a bathroom.

They rescue people from stalled elevators and those who are trapped in vehicle crashes. They test and maintain their equipment including self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), hydrants, hoses, power tools, and apparatus.

At the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy they learn all these skills and more from certified fire instructors who are also experienced firefighters. Students learn all the basic skills they need to respond to fires and to contain and control them. They are also given training



in public fire education, hazardous material incident mitigation, flammable liquids, stress management, confined space rescue techniques, and rappelling.

The intensive, 10-week program for municipal firefighters involves classroom instruction, physical fitness training, firefighter skills training, and live firefighting practice.

Basic Firefighter Skills

Students receive classroom training in all basic firefighter skills. They practice first under non-fire conditions and then during controlled fire conditions. To graduate, students must demonstrate

proficiency in life safety, search and rescue, ladder operations, water supply, pump operation, and fire attack. Fire attack operations range from mailbox fires to multiple-floor or multiple-room structural fires.

Upon successful completion of the Recruit Program all students have met national standards of National Fire Protection Association 1001 and are certified to the level of Firefighter I and II, and Hazardous Materials First Responder Operational Level by the Massachusetts Fire Training Council, which is accredited by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications.

▲ John Baker, Jesse Bozzella, Robert Lynch, and John Mulrenan, all from the Wilmington Fire Department, shown with their fellow firefighters.

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11 students make Dean's List at Bridgewater State

BRIDGEWATER — 11 students from Wilmington and Tewksbury were named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Bridgewater State University.

They are:

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• Jessica Ambrosio
• Jenna Gillis

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• Emily Bennett
• Michaela Clarke
• Jessica Moore
• Kendia Nerestant

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OBITUARIES

Gertrude E. 'Pudge' Cushing Inducted into Wilmington HS Hall-of-Fame

Gertrude E. "Pudge" Cushing, age 77, of Tewksbury, formerly of Wilmington, passed away peacefully with her family at her side on Jan. 31, 2019 following a courageous battle with cancer at the Sawtelle Hospice House in Reading.

Pudge was born on Nov. 19, 1941 in Wilmington, MA; she was the cherished daughter of the late Lawrence H. and Gertrude (Baldwin) Cushing.

Pudge grew up in a large and loving family; she was raised on Jones Avenue in Wilmington along with her extended family of aunts, uncles and cousins who lived in the same neighborhood.

Pudge was part of the "Jones Ave. Pole Cats" along with her siblings, cousins and fellow neighbors; everyone had a great time growing up together and countless memories were made throughout the years.

Pudge was quite an athlete; as a young girl she was a speed skater at the Wilmington Figure Skating Club on Chestnut Street and competed at the Boston Garden where she won the Midget Championship. Pudge was also a natural when it came to playing field hockey, basketball and softball; she was the first female athlete at Wilmington High School to play varsity all four years and she earned 12 varsity letters in all three sports.

Pudge's accomplishments and athleticism earned her a spot in the Wilmington High School Hall of Fame. Pudge was a graduate of Wilmington High School with the Class of 1959.

Following graduation, Pudge went to work for American Mutual for two years before taking a position at the Kohler Com-

pany in Wellesley, where she worked for 31 years and made many life-long friends. At the time of her death, Pudge was employed as an administrative assistant at Fresenius Medical Care in Waltham where she worked for the last 25 years.

Pudge was a favorite employee wherever she worked; her knowledge of her job along with her great personality and strong work ethic made her quite successful in her field. Pudge was always there to help her co-workers whether it was to lend a hand or an ear; she truly considered many of them her extended family.

Pudge loved to travel with her family, cousins and friends; throughout the years Pudge along with her friend Charlotte travelled all over the United States visiting 48 states.

Pudge continued to love sports throughout her life; she enjoyed watching or attending countless Bruins, Celtics, Red Sox and Patriots games; always rooting for the "home team."

Pudge will be fondly remembered for her unconditional love and support for her family and friends; she always looked forward to the time they spent together and the many wonderful memories they made through the years. Pudge was a wonderful lady who will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Pudge was the cherished daughter of the late Lawrence H. and Gertrude (Baldwin) Cushing, dear sister of Patricia Robarge & her late husband Sonny, John "Jack" Cushing & his wife Sandy all of Wilmington, Joan Buckley & her husband Ed and their daughters Kristin Stavros and



Kara Murray with whom Pudge resided of Tewksbury, Gerald Cushing & his companion Lisa of NH, the late Lawrence "Snooky" Cushing, Charles Cushing and James Cushing, sister-in-law of Marion Cushing, Evelyn Cushing and Suzi Cushing.

Pudge is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, godchildren, cousins, her best friends Renee Johnson and Larry Park as well as many dear friends.

Family and friends gathered for a Funeral Service at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Tuesday, Feb. 5 at 11 a.m. Interment to follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting Hours were held at the Funeral Home on Monday, Feb. 4 from 4 - 8 p.m.

Memorial donations in Pudge's name may be made to the Lawrence H. Cushing Scholarship Fund, c/o Jack Cushing, 72 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, MA 01887.

Marion E. (Kirkland) Hesketh Very active in Pilgrim Congregational Church

Marion E. (Kirkland) Hesketh, of Tewksbury, formerly of Cambridge, age 95, passed away peacefully on Jan. 30, 2019, at Lowell General Hospital in Lowell following a brief illness.

Born in Medford, MA on May 11, 1923, Marion was the beloved daughter of the late George and Sarah (Breen) Kirkland. Marion grew up in Cambridge and married Stanley Hesketh on June 7, 1947. Stanley and Marion raised their three children in Cambridge and it wasn't until after Stanley's retirement, that they made their move to Tewksbury in 1987.

Marion was very active in the Pilgrim Congregational Church in Cambridge from childhood until it closed in 1992. Church activities were a very big part of her life and she made it an important part of her family's life. Following the closing of Pilgrim church Marion became a member of the Wilmington Congregational Church.

Marion was married for 64 years to her beloved husband Stanley who passed away in 2011. She was preceded in

death by her son Stanley Jr. She is survived by her daughter-in-law Susan Hesketh of Pennsylvania, her son David Hesketh and his wife Sandra of Tewksbury, and her daughter Carol Davis and her husband Joe of Oklahoma. Marion was the beloved sister of Margaret, Ruth, and Frederick, all of whom preceded her in death.

Marion especially loved being a grandmother and great grandmother. She was the cherished grandmother of Daniel, Sarah, Matthew, Katie, David, Steven, Philip John, Elizabeth, Kristin, and Philip Stanley and great-grandmother of Alexa, Brianna, Kayla, Brayden, Emily, Meghan, Madison, Alex, Ben, Sam, Drew, Avery, Elsie, David, Howard, and Trevor.

Marion was also survived by several nieces and nephews and was especially close to her niece Phyllis Benoit and nephew Bob Kirkland.

Family and friends gathered at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Monday, Feb. 4 for visitation from 9 - 10 a.m. followed by a Funeral Service



at 10 a.m. Interment will take place in Tewksbury Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Marion's name may be made to either the National Kidney Foundation, 209 West Central Street Suite 220 Natick, MA 01760 or The Upside, Advocacy and Advancement for Individuals with Down Syndrome, c/o Misti Brock, Account ending *8800, Legend Bank, Henrietta Branch, P.O. Box 300, Henrietta, TX 76365.

www.nicholsfuneralhome.com.

Phyllis M. Jensen Longtime member of North Congo Church

Phyllis M. Jensen, 86, of Wilmington, passed away on Tuesday morning, Jan. 29. She was the wife of C. James Jensen.

Born and raised in Woburn, she was the daughter of the late Oscar, and the late Rose Lundberg.

Phyllis was a graduate of Woburn High School. She worked for many years at the former Woburn National Bank, retiring as an Assistant Vice President in 1999.

Phyllis was a longtime active and faithful member of the North Congregational Church in North Woburn. She served the church in many capacities, most recently as Deacon and as Treasurer of the Deacons Fund.

Phyllis was an active member of the Order of Eastern Star in both the local and state levels. She was a five-time Past Worthy Matron of the Aletheon Chapter #154 OES in Woburn, and had served as

the chapter Secretary for over 10 years. She was also an Honorary Member of the Melrose Chapter #14, and a member of the Daughters of the Nile.

Phyllis served as the state Deputy Grand Matron of the Massachusetts Grand Chapter in 1999; she was a Grand Representative for the Grand Chapter from 2002-2004; and was also the Grand Chapter Fraternal Correspondent in 2010.

In addition to her husband Jim, Phyllis is survived by one daughter, Wanda Callahan and her husband Thomas of Andover, one son, Alan Jensen and his wife Nancy of Port Charlotte, Florida; five grandchildren, Steven, Christopher, and Ryan Jensen, Aislinn Brandt, and Eamon Callahan; and four great grandchildren.

She is also survived by one sister, Doris Leland and her husband Lester of Hyde Park, NY



A funeral service was held at the North Congregational Church in North Woburn on Sunday, Feb. 3. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Phyllis' memory may be made to the Mission of Deeds, 6 Chapin Ave., Reading, MA 01867. Arrangements by the Graham Funeral Home, Woburn.

Arnold F. Lanni Served in Coast Guard during WWII

Arnold F. Lanni, 91, of Southbridge, MA, formerly of Wilmington, MA and Vermont, fondly known as "Al" to his family and friends, passed away peacefully at home on Jan. 30, 2019.

Al was the beloved husband of Laurie Towne Slobody of Southbridge and the late Mary (Boyle) Lanni of Wilmington. He was the devoted father of Marion Lanni of Shrewsbury and Jeanne Lanni and her husband Richard Vinton of Southborough, MA, and the late Michael, Arnold F. Jr. "Al" and Mark Lanni; loving "Grampy" of David John Gagnon III, Lanni Jeanne Gagnon and Olivia Leahy Vinton; cherished son of the late Domenic Lanni; and dear brother of Fred Rusha of Hudson, FL and John Rusha of Auburn, ME.

He was the beloved brother-in-law of Jeanne (Boyle) & Benedict Crupi of Reading, Mary and the late George Boyle of Wilmington, Daniel and the late Janet Boyle of Lunenburg, the late Barbara (Boyle) and Jerry White of Wilmington, and Roger and Laurie Slobody of West Brookfield.

Al is also survived by many others who adore him, including numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Al was born on March 17, 1927, in Everett, MA. As a young boy, Al was raised and educated in Roxbury and West Roxbury. While living there, he had fond memories of belonging to the "Knot Hole Gang," a group of young boys who paid five cents to get into the Boston Braves games.

When Al was in the sixth grade, he moved to Foxborough, MA. There he continued his education, graduating from Foxborough High School with the Class of 1945.

While in high school, he was very active. In addition to serving as Class President for three years, he was a drummer in the high school band and he played on the baseball, basketball and football teams. In his non-school time, he played drums for a 27 piece community swing band.

After graduation, Al enlisted in the United States Coast Guard to serve his country during World War II. He was honorably discharged in May of 1946 and returned home to his family.

For the next several years, Al moved to Maryland to continue his education. He attended Severn Academy Prep School in Severna Park, MD and Hagerstown Junior College in Hagerstown, MD.

In 1951, Al entered the United States Navy to serve his country during the Korean War. He served aboard the USS Tarawa and at the US Naval Receiving Station in Brooklyn, NY. Following four years of active duty, Al was honorably discharged in 1954.

After leaving the Navy, Al went on to attend Boston University where he earned his Bachelor's Degree with honors. In 1964, he earned a Master's Degree in Education from the State College at Boston.

Following college, Al began a long and rewarding career as a

public school teacher and administrator, while always continuing his own education. In 1957, he began teaching American History at Topsfield High School. In 1959, he transferred to Sudbury Public Schools to serve as Chairman of the Social Studies Department at Curtis Junior High School. While in Sudbury, he also served as Chairman of the Professional Standards Committee of the Sudbury Teachers Association and was elected President of the Board of Directors of the Lincoln-Sudbury Town Employees Federal Credit Union.

In 1963, Al received the Silver Tray Award by the Sudbury Kiwanis Club for "The Teacher Who Has Done the Most for the Sudbury School System."

Following his tenure in Sudbury, Al accepted a position at the Massachusetts Department of Education. As a Senior Supervisor, he traveled around the state providing public schools with training in curriculum development, program evaluation and teacher training. He was also responsible for evaluating federal programs. During these years, Al was called on to assist in producing several publications.

He became a contributing author to the Curriculum Guide for the U.S.S. Massachusetts and to the Aerospace Curriculum Resource Guide published by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

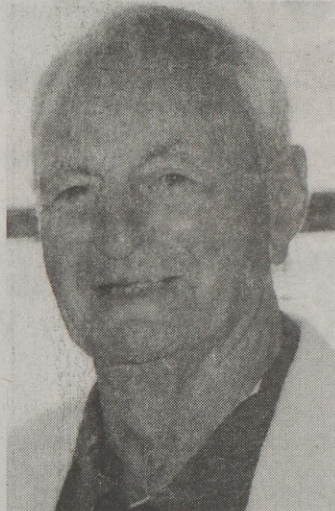
During his teaching years and his years spent at the Massachusetts Department of Education, Al was also an active contributor to his own community. He served as Chairman of the Wilmington School Committee, was a member of the Wilmington Conservation Committee, and an active member of the Wilmington Community Fund. As in his work life, Al spent his personal time trying to better the lives of others.

In 1970, Al accepted a position with the Arlington Public Schools. After serving as the district's Director of Curriculum, he was promoted to Assistant Superintendent. In that position, he received many accolades for his expertise in administration, planning, curriculum, personnel and community relations. He developed a wonderful reputation for honesty, loyalty, expertise in education and his ability to speak his mind.

In 1984, Al brought his knowledge, planning abilities, and belief that all children can learn at high levels to Vermont. He accepted the position of Superintendent of Schools in Vergennes, VT and served Vergennes and the surrounding communities. While there, he also served as Regional Chairman for the Vermont Superintendents Association.

Following his Vermont tenure, he returned to Massachusetts to become Superintendent of Schools in 1989 in Southbridge, MA. During his years in Southbridge, he was instrumental in improving curriculum and was responsible for training teachers in Total Quality Management.

Al retired in June of 1993



from the Southbridge Public Schools, following a long and illustrious career. His dedication to students, faculty and the evolution of public education was unwavering. Throughout his work life, he put his heart and soul into everything he did, with the goal of making this world a better place for future generations.

Following retirement, and up to the time of his passing, Al continued to be an active contributor to the Town of Southbridge. He was elected and served on the Town Council, the town's Long-Range Planning Committee, the High School Scholarship Committee and the committee formed to raise funds for the public schools. He has chosen to represent Southbridge on the Central MA Planning Commission and served in that role for many years.

Until his passing, Al remained an active member of the Southbridge Rotary, as well as the Italian-American Club.

In addition to his commitment and service to the public education, country, and community, Al's other "passions" included his family, gardening and sports. He will always be remembered for his devotion to his family... always there to lend a helping hand, give advice, and unconditional love.

He was a man who totally enjoyed sports, especially golfing, skiing and bocci. He also loved his beloved Patriots and never missed a game. Fortunately for this year's Super Bowl, he had the best seat of all...

Al was a gentleman in every way... truly a "gentle man." He totally enjoyed life, was caring and giving of his time and talents to help others, and forever enriched the lives of everyone he met.

Family and friends are invited to gather a Mass of Christian Burial at Notre Dame Church, 446 Main St., Southbridge, MA on Friday, Feb. 8 at noon. Following Mass, all are invited to continue the celebration of Al's life at the LaSalle Reception Center located next to the church. A private burial will be held on Monday, Feb. 11 in Wilmington, MA. Family members are invited to meet on that day at Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave., in Wilmington for a noon service. Burial will follow at Wildwood Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Al's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701.

Dewey School PAC \$250 scholarship available

TEWKSBURY - The L.F. Dewey Elementary School PAC \$250 scholarship is now available. Any high school senior who attended the L.F. Dewey Elementary School during their elementary school years is eligible.

Please see your Guidance

Dept to apply. If chosen and to collect the scholarship, the student must be enrolled in an accredited college and provide proof of first term completed. The proof may be in the form of a first term report card or notification from the college.

Funds are not awarded until the student completes the first term. Submission for payment of scholarship funds MUST be submitted by June 1, 2020 after which time the scholarship expires.

North Street \$250 scholarship available

TEWKSBURY - The North Street Elementary School PAC \$250 scholarship is now available. Any high school senior who attended the North Street Elementary School during their elementary school years is eligible.

Please see your Guidance Dept to apply. If chosen and

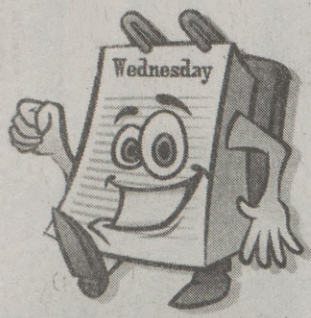
to collect the scholarship, the student must be enrolled in an accredited college and provide proof of first term completed. The proof may be in the form of a first term report card or notification from the college.

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Wilmington Calendar:

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Middlesex Canal Museum, 71 Faulkner Street in Billerica

Tewksbury Calendar:

Library Art Show through Tuesday, March 5

Free Presentation: Living with Coyotes
Thursday, February 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Tewksbury Town Hall
This special presentation will be held on February 7 at Tewksbury Town Hall. The speaker will be John Magurranis of Belmont Animal Control, a Massachusetts representative for Project Coyote. Learn all about the most misunderstood and remarkable animal in North America. The presentation includes information on coyote natural behavior, habits and diet, identification, photography, myths and facts, hazing, origin and history, and pet and human safety.

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Alateen
The first and third Thurs-

day of each month

St Williams Church (middle brick building), 1351 Main Street in Tewksbury

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Safety seat installation
Every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Public Safety Building, 1 Adelaide Street

The Wilmington Police Department offers safety seat installs at the Wilmington Public Safety Building (1 Adelaide St.) every Wednesday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. No appointment is necessary, but calling ahead at 978-658-5071 is recommended.

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SilverTones Dance
Friday, February 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler Street

The SilverTones, Tewksbury's own Big Swing Band, will help honor two of the town's couples who have been married 50 years at its February 15 Dance. Everyone is invited to listen and/or dance to these 20 professional musicians, including vocalists BB Braxton, former Director of the "Liberty Belles" acapella group, Jim Sutton, drummer for the "Perfect Match Trio," and Mike Petrishen, alto sax soloist for the Band. The musical director is MaryBeth Foley-Cummings of the well-known Greater Lowell Foley, Gouveia, Leite Musical families and formerly of the now defunct Chelmsford "Come

Back Kids." Admission to these monthly "3rd Friday" Dances is \$10 per person and all couples or singles are welcome to bring along their favorite snacks and beverages. Free ice, cake, coffee and tea are provided, though there is a \$1 soda machine on site. There are door prizes and a 50/50 raffle as well. Those wearing red this month will have the opportunity to win a scratch ticket or two. The SilverTones provide adult music for all generations and genres from fox trots, waltzes, Latins, Chas, jitterbugs, hip-hop, to line dances of polkas, and jazz from 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. The Tewksbury Senior Center is located at 175 Chandler Street with easy access from Route 495 (Route 38) or Route 93 (Dasscomb Rd.) and is fully handicapped accessible with a large, lighted parking lot. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Come join the fun and help honor the Valentine couples. Remember the winter snow rules! No school means no Senior Center means no dances. To ask if the dance is cancelled, call Barbara Flanagan, Band Manager at 978-851-7580.

Library Art Show
Through Tuesday, March 5
Tewksbury Public Library Meeting Room

Come check out the Tewksbury Community of Artists' latest library art show, "Black & White & Shades In Between." The show fea-

tures work from local artists, including Tom Borgal, Valerie Borgal, Robert Crocker, Betsy Grecoe, and Meg Robertson. The show, located in the library's first-floor Meeting Room, will be on display through Tuesday, March 5.

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Learn to skate on the brand new ice rink in Tewksbury

Learn to Skate will be hosted by Tewksbury Police Athletic League on Friday, Feb. 15, 2019. For K-2nd grade: 6-7 p.m., for 3rd - 8th grade: 7-8 p.m.

Come to the Town of Tewksbury ice rink at Livingston Recreation Center.

Please join the Police Athletic League for a night of fun to see and skate on the new skating rink that the

town has provided for all to share.

Light refreshments will be served.

Instructors from the Tewksbury Youth Skating program, Tewksbury High School Hockey, and some of Tewksbury's finest will be there all to assist the youth of this community.

They recommend skates, helmet, elbow and knee pads!

Six students make Dean's List at WPI

WORCESTER — The following local residents were among 1,595 students from Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) named to the university's Dean's List for academic excellence for the fall 2018 semester.

- Michael Gake of Wilmington is a member of the class of 2020 majoring in industrial engineering and professional writing.
- Zachary Abbott of Wilmington is a member of the class of 2019 majoring in civil engineering.

• Caroline Johnston of Wilmington is a member of the class of 2019 majoring in mathematical sciences.

• Kyria Nelson of Wilmington is a member of the class of 2021 majoring in computer science.

• Stephanie Tam of Tewksbury is a member of the class of 2022 majoring in biomedical engineering.

• Toni Joy of Tewksbury is a member of the class of 2019 majoring in industrial engineering.

The criteria for the WPI

Dean's List differs from most other universities as WPI does not compute a grade point average (GPA). Instead, WPI defines the Dean's List by the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and projects.

"WPI's academic programs are rigorous and require a level of independence beyond what is required in traditional courses. WPI students go beyond the classroom to work on open-ended problems in and

for communities around the world. The problems are important and the impact is real" said dean of undergraduate studies Arthur C. Heinricher. "Some of this nation's best and brightest students come to WPI to study engineering and science and business and the humanities. Those named to the Dean's List have excelled in all of their work, and we are exceptionally proud of these outstanding students."

www.wpi.edu

Defeo makes Dean's List at The University of Albany

ALBANY, N.Y. — The University at Albany has announced the Dean's List of Distinguished Students for the Fall 2018 semester.

In order to qualify for this distinction, students at the University at Albany must earn a grade point average of

3.25 or higher during their first semester of study. In subsequent semesters of study, students must earn a grade point average of 3.50 or higher.

Joslyn Defeo of Wilmington has been named to the University at Albany Dean's List.

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Lifestyle

Don't forget the card this Valentine's Day

By **HEATHER BURNS**
News Correspondent

The old saying goes, "Money can't buy you love." Although most would agree with this statement, it seems that many Americans feel money can buy you a Valentine.

According to a poll done by USA Today, 18.2 billion dollars were spent by consumers last Valentine's Day. Besides spending on the traditional gifts of candy and flowers, Valentine gifts have grown in recent years to include jewelry, clothing, trips, and even gift cards. But the most traditional, and inexpensive signs of affection for a Valentine has been the greeting card.

The first Valentine's day greeting card dates back to 15th century France, when

Feb. 14 had become an annual feast day celebrating romantic love.

While imprisoned in the Tower of London during the Valentine feast, the Duke of Orleans wrote a romantic Valentine note to his wife. This note is considered by many historians to be the first written Valentine greeting.

But it wasn't until the 18th century that sending Valentine poems and cards became popular. Handmade cards were made by lovers, and then secretly slipped under doors or tied to door knockers. The only signature would be "from your Valentine."

The first printed cards began to appear in Georgian Britain, in the late 1700s. These cards would be printed with flowers and cupids surrounding a romantic verse.

It was during the Victorian

era, with the rapid advance of printing and manufacturing, that mass produced Valentine cards became wildly popular. Victorian Valentines featured elaborate paper lacework and embossing, with a large array of designs and sentiments. The most popular designs of the time were flowers, love knots, animals and cupids, but not the red heart that is featured on Valentines of today.

Not all Victorian cards were romantic. There was a line of cards known as "Vinegar Valentines." These cards were designed to insult the recipient. They would point out one's faults, rather than one's tributes, such as gossiping, drinking too much, or physical faults like baldness or unattractiveness. This was also the start of the humorous Valentine cards that are still popular today.

As technology advanced, cards were produced more cost effectively, thus becoming more popular as they became more affordable. In 1913, Hallmark Cards went into production, becoming a key development in the commercialism of Valentine's Day.

The Valentine's greeting card is now second only in sales to the Christmas card. The greeting card industry totaled \$849,000,000 in sales in 2018, and is expected to grow this Valentine's season.

We are all familiar with the store bought traditional greeting card. They are eye catching, simple and to the point, with a greeting and artwork on the front, and a sentiment inside. But you can now also find cards that play music when you open them, or even allow you to record your own message. They also come in a variety of sizes from four inches tall, up to two feet tall.

One of the latest crazes in greeting cards is the pop up



From funny to romantic and everything in between, there's a perfect card for your special Valentine as long as you remember to get one early!

(Photos by Heather Burns)



JacquieLawson.com. For a small annual membership fee, you can get unlimited animated cards for the duration of your membership.

Interacting on the internet isn't for everyone. Although you may take budget into consideration, many people still have that old school feeling that a handmade card can usually be the most meaningful gift to the recipient. Knowing

that someone put thought, time and effort into making a Valentine's card in our fast-paced world can often hold much weight when it comes to matters of the heart.

There is lots of help available online for those who lack in the arts and crafts abilities. Try Etsy.com for ideas, or websites like www.bhg.com (Better Homes and Garden) or www.nobiggie.net for step by step instructions to create the perfect card.

Valentine's Day is Thursday, Feb. 14. It really doesn't matter if you email your Valentine card, mail it, buy it or make it, so long as you don't forget it!

you may want to go with an E card. You can find a large selection online from websites such as AmericanGreeting.com or Punchbowl.com. It is also great fun to send an animated E card from websites like JibJab.com or Doozycards.com. JibJab, allows you to upload photos onto your E card, to get that personalized touch. Many of these sites are free or a small fraction of the cost of sending traditional cards, and since you send them through email, there is no postage charge.

If you are a frequent card sender, you may want to join a membership website like

If you have a tech savvy



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Adjusting to reusable bags

TEWKSBURY — As communities around the Commonwealth implement and adjust to the elimination of single-use plastic bags at retail outlets, residents find themselves experiencing a range of emotions. Some are confused, some are stressed, some are angry. Most just take it in stride.

However, reusable bags have been around for a long time and have been offered at retail outlets for years. Any bag can be reusable, but most are made of recycled plastic or canvas and are durable over hundreds of uses.

Retailers have seen the benefit of these bags, using them for branding purposes and creating attractive designs to appeal to a wide audience. Whole Foods pioneered the reusable bag program in 2007 and it caught on quickly.

Sturdy handled bags became a way to eliminate single use plastic bags and created a "way" of shopping, with bags becoming col-

lectible and new designs unveiled seasonally. Self-proclaimed "bagaholics" even collect bags and seek out new shapes and sizes.

Fabric bags, foldable cartons, cooler bags and jute bags are among the myriad choices now, and shoppers are proud of their small step to save the environment.

Retailers have given incentives to shoppers for bringing their own bags for years as well; Whole Foods takes a nickel off of the grocery bill for every bag a customer brings and Trader Joe's lets shoppers enter to win a chance for a bag of groceries. Some retailers have never offered bags at checkout such as Costco, BJ's and Aldi, where bringing your own bag or using cardboard boxes is "just what you do."

Single use plastic bags were introduced in 1979, so purchases before that time were bundled in paper bags. Department stores

had fancy paper handled bags — do you remember the pretty Bonwit Teller bags with the purple flowers? Zayre, Fotomat, Bradlees, and Jordan Marsh had envelope-style paper bags. People put trash in the wastebasket without a liner, or used a paper grocery bag.

As solid waste costs rise for municipalities, addressing the presence of bags in the recycling stream has garnered much attention. Recycling processors, squeezed due to sanctions on China, have been choked off from the main market for purchasing their recycled materials. As a result, alternative markets have put strict requirements on the cleanliness of recycling that it will buy.

Single use plastic "litters" loads and makes them less profitable, as the bags are not recyclable (despite the triangle logo) and catch and jam up processing equipment. Cities and towns are

finding their recycling loads are being rejected and as such, their solid waste costs are skyrocketing. This directly impacts the bottom line for communities.

The City of Weymouth put out a notice to residents explaining that the costs of contaminated recycling and how it is trying to keep its trash fees low. Tewksbury and Wilmington currently do not have trash fees, but as part of the general operation of the town, is paid for by property taxes. Communities are sending out mailers, educating residents about what should and should not be put in recycling and emphasizing that single use plastic bags make up a majority of the contamination found in loads.

Local social media forums have lively discussions about the move to reusable bags. To be clear, residents may still take their own plastic bags to use, garbage bags and liners will still be sold, and

zipper lock type food bags will still be on store shelves. The restriction is that retailers may not give out single use plastic bags at the point of purchase, be it a restaurant using them for take-out meals or a clothing store, pharmacy or grocery.

While paper bags may be made available, it is up to the discretion of the store to charge or not. For those who have decided to charge for bags, per bylaw guidelines, the purpose is to encourage a "bring your own bag" model. Some folks are getting creative designing bags, and some are using groups.

In the end, after these restrictions are in place for a short adjustment, residents seem to transition without issue, such as in Salem and Newton. Lowell implemented its ban in January, Tewksbury's goes into effect April 1, Wilmington will start May 5, Reading, Andover and Burlington all have restrictions in various stages of implementation as well.

OBITUARY

Alice A. Wentzell

Enjoyed traveling and riding motorcycles

Alice A. Wentzell, age 86, of Tewksbury and a former Wilmington resident for 52 years passed away peacefully

arranged by Kelley.

Alice is survived by her children: Clayton J.L. Wentzell Jr. and his wife Diane (Fic-

dino and her late husband Edmund Trebino of Tewksbury, Jared Wentzell and his wife Lisa of Atkinson, NH, Blaise Wentzell of Wilmington, Derek Wentzell and his

wife Theresa of Pelham, NH, Daren Wentzell and his wife Lisa of Hudson, NH.

Alice is also survived by 13 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and 1 great granddaughter.

In addition to her late parents and son-in-law, Alice is survived by her brother,

Jack F. Kelley and his late wife Elta, sister, Marilyn Loadwick and her late husband Edwin.

Alice's greatest joy in life was her family. Nothing

made her happier than to be with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She cherished her time with them all.

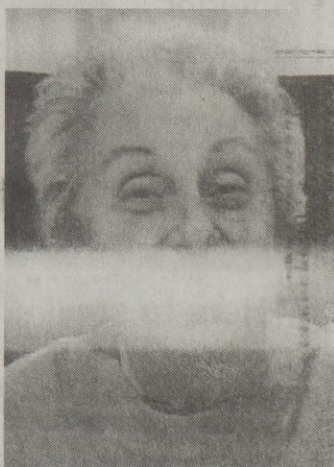
In her leisure time Alice enjoyed knitting, crochet and arts and crafts. She made Christmas stockings for family members. She made beautiful afghans, latch hook rugs and macramé chairs with Harley Davidson decorations.

In her younger years she

enjoyed traveling and riding motorcycles. Alice also loved animals and enjoyed caring for her pet cats and dogs.

She will be greatly missed by her loving family and those she knew and loved.

In keeping with Alice's wishes, funeral services were private. Arrangements were entrusted to the Dello Russo Family Funeral Service of Wilmington. To leave an online message of condolence please visit www.dellorosso.net.





Tewksbury Police Log

Four arrested for shoplifting from Walmart on Saturday

Monday, January 28

11:08 a.m. - A 911 caller reported he was threatened by a male in a Mercury SUV with a Florida license plate at Main Street. Police sent. They stopped the motor vehicle at Shell Station. The occupants were spoken to.

11:55 a.m. - A former employee was trespassing on the property yesterday at Peregrine Landing. Police sent and filed a report.

3:13 p.m. - A suspicious vehicle was at Meredith Road. Police sent. The party was spoken to and checked out OK.

9:02 p.m. - Employee requested to speak with an officer regarding an anonymous phone call she received at Marriot Residence Inn. The police checked the area and spoke with the caller; it was a prank phone call.

Tuesday, January 29

6:44 a.m. - Police sent to attempt to serve a warrant at Motel 6. Joseph Santana, 37, of 1325 Pawtucket Boulevard in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a default warrant at Haverhill District Court.

12:48 p.m. - Caller reported an unwanted party at McDonalds South. Police sent. Jonathan Cameron, 27, of 56 Pupkis Road in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with a warrant for possess class E drugs with intent.

1 p.m. - Caller at Ferncroft Road reported someone was taking his mail. Police sent and filed a report.

7:25 p.m. - The house next to the caller has flashlights at Design Wiring. Police sent. Officer spoke with the daughter of the homeowner who used a flashlight to get

around.

Wednesday, January 30

6:04 a.m. - Police out at Motel 6 attempting to serve a warrant. David Calo, 41, of 55 Varnum St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a default warrant from Lawrence and a default warrant for Lowell.

10:13 a.m. - A 911 caller reported two loose dogs in the area of Algonquin Drive when he was bit by one of the dogs. Police sent as well as Animal Control. Animal Control would handle this situation.

2:54 p.m. - Police sent to the Town Manager's Office at Town Hall to take a report of harassing phone calls. Officer filed a report.

Thursday, January 31

3:58 a.m. - Police at Ames

Hill to stop a motor vehicle for possible warrant. Ary Jean-Philippe, 57, of 12 Birch St. in Lawrence, was arrested and charged with a warrant for operating motor vehicle with suspended license.

4:25 p.m. - Suspicious activity was questioned at East Street and requested the police do an area check. Police sent and filed a report.

Friday, February 1

12:42 a.m. - Police sent due to suspicious activity at Jon Ryan's Pub. Officer spoke with the party and all was clear.

10:21 a.m. - Footsteps were heard in the snow to the caller's window in the back of the house at Sesame Street. It did not appear that anything was tampered with. Police sent and they believed it may have been someone

checking the meter.

10:30 p.m. - Caller reported her neighbors at East Street were playing music very loud. Police sent and they have spoken to the neighbors.

Saturday, February 2

2:57 a.m. - A suspicious vehicle was at Pleasant Street. Police sent. The vehicle ran out of gas and the police provided a courtesy transport.

8 a.m. - There was a raccoon in the caller's father's bedroom, with her father at Rhoda Street. Animal Control sent. Animal Control could not find the raccoon in the house and had checked the building for possible entry points. None were found.

11:29 a.m. - Caller reported erratic driver at Whipple Road and Frederick Circle heading south on Whipple Road. Police sent. They checked the reported area and the vehicle was gone on arrival.

1:51 p.m. - Loss Prevention from Walmart requested assistance with a female shop-

lifter. Susan Milliken, 62, of 32 Converse Lane in Melrose, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by concealing and a warrant for registration suspended.

3:19 p.m. - Loss Prevention requested assistance with a female shoplifter at Walmart. Kimberly Cockrill, 50, of 67 Chestnut St. in Wilmington, was arrested and charged with a warrant for unlicensed operation.

6:19 p.m. - Loss Prevention reporting two shoplifters at Walmart. Brooke O'Neil, 47, of 3 Sweetbriar Lane in Andover, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by asportation. Richard O'Neil, 54, of 3 Sweetbriar Lane in Andover, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by asportation.

Sunday, February 3

5:41 p.m. - There was a white van in the driveway of South Street and three males inside the residence with headlamps on. Police sent. Parties checked out; they were plumbers hired by the new owners. Officer filed a report.



Wilmington Police Log

Vehicle strikes fire hydrant on Reed Street

Monday, January 28:

6:59 a.m.: A Ford Edge struck a tree and clipped a fire hydrant on South Street. Tewksbury Police were asked to shut down their end of the road. The Fire Department transported the driver for medical attention and the Water Department was notified about the fire hydrant, though it was still intact.

11 a.m.: A minor motor vehicle collision occurred on Church Street involving a Ford Five Hundred and a Jeep Liberty. The driver of the Jeep was cited for failure to use caution while stopping and driving with their license not in their possession.

1:17 p.m.: An unknown vehicle drove through a fence on Boutwell Street while backing up, doing \$250 worth of damage.

Tuesday, January 29:

6:43 a.m.: Two TT units were in a minor collision on Fordham Road. Both vehicles were towed privately by their respective companies.

10:18 a.m.: A minor motor vehicle collision involving a Chevrolet Express and a MINI Cooper occurred at the intersection of High Street and Middlesex Avenue.

11:40 a.m.: The Fire Department responded to an oven

fire on Mystic Avenue.

5:06 p.m.: Two police units blocked off Adams Street as Reading Light repaired a utility pole snapped by a Honda Civic. The Civic was towed.

10:12 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred on Boutwell Street involving a Mercury Sable and a Mercedes C300, one of which went off the road.

Wednesday, January 30:

12:06 a.m.: A BMW 328xi hit a Honda CR-V on Ramp 39 before fleeing the scene. The BMW was found based on its damage and its description as a small, white vehicle.

5:38 a.m.: An International ProStar freight truck and a Honda CR-V were involved in a collision on Ballardvale Street. No one was injured.

9:13 a.m.: A Ford Escape and a Chevrolet Avalanche clipped side mirrors as one crossed over onto the other side of the road. Nothing was damaged other than the mirrors.

11:51 a.m.: A Ford Focus hit a trash bin on Glen Road, sending it onto the snowbank alongside the street. The trash company moved the bin back to the street. The vehicle was not badly damaged.

1:25 p.m.: A three-car motor vehicle collision involving a Toyota Avalon, a Chevrolet Malibu, and a Honda Civic occurred by the Route 38 Smoke Shop on Main Street. The Malibu and the Civic were towed.

6:13 p.m.: A Jeep Wrangler rear ended a Honda CR-V at the intersection of Main Street and Kirk Street. The damage to the vehicles was relatively small.

Thursday, January 31:

7:56 a.m.: The airbags deployed in a Ford Ranger and a Honda Accord after a collision at the intersection of Route 125 and Ramp 41. Both vehicles were towed after the incident.

10:37 a.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred at Al Prime on Main Street involving a Cadillac SRX and a Hyundai Santa Fe. No injuries were reported and the vehicles remained drivable afterward.

10:47 p.m.: The operator of a Lincoln Town Car was cited for marked lanes violation, speeding, and driving a car with no inspection sticker after driving into a boulder on the edge of a resident's property by the corner of Main Street and Butters Row. The driver refused medical attention and was determined by police to be sober.

Friday, February 1:

8:02 a.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred at Sonny's Mobile On the Run on Lowell Street involving a Mercedes E350 and a Ford Escape. No injuries were reported. The Mercedes was towed as its registration had been revoked.

2:25 p.m.: The Water Department was notified after a Ford Mustang struck a fire hydrant on Reed Street. The Fire Department took the hydrant out of commission.

Saturday, February 2:

12:44 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred on Lowell Street involving a BMW M2 and a Ford Aerostar. No injuries were reported.

1:48 p.m.: A Toyota Corolla and a Ford Explorer were towed after a collision at the intersection of Glen Road and Brattle Street. One party was taken for medical attention and a warning was written for failure to yield.

2:35 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision involving a Toyota Corolla and a Cadillac SRX occurred in the parking lot of CVS on Main Street. No injuries were reported.

Sunday, February 3:

1:44 p.m.: A Toyota Corolla and a Honda Civic were involved in a motor vehicle collision in the parking lot of Sonny's Mobile On the Run on Lowell Street.

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Dufour makes Dean's List at Univ. of Maine at Presque Isle

PRESQUE ISLE, ME — 291 students at the University of Maine at Presque Isle have been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester, according to

Dr. Ray Rice, UMPI President and Provost. Named to the highest honors list was Jeffrey Peter Dufour, Tewksbury.

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(Courtesy photo)



13 students make Dean's List at Roger Williams University

BRISTOL, RI — Select students have been named to the Fall 2018 Dean's List at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I. Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits per semester and earn a GPA of 3.4 or higher are placed on the Dean's List that semester.

- Emily Bartnicki of Wilmington
- Andrew Dawson of Wilmington
- Samantha L'esperance of Wilmington
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- Erica Meier of Wilmington
- Katelyn Otis of Wilmington
- Amber Peach of Wilmington
- Samantha Pitz of Wilmington
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- Meghan Rodenhiser of Wilmington
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Folk graduates from Missouri University of Science and Technology

ROLLA, MO — Nearly 800 candidates including Melanie Folk, of Wilmington, bachelor of science, engineering management received degrees during Commencement ceremonies held Saturday, Dec. 15, 2018, at Missouri University of Science and Technology.

The university awards bachelor of science, bachelor of arts, master of science and "doctor of philosophy (Ph.D.) degrees.

Missouri S&T has traditionally recognized graduates earning a bachelor's degree with honors by placing the designation "summa cum laude," "magna cum laude" or "cum laude" on their diplomas. The highest honor, summa cum laude, is awarded to students who have earned a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.8 or above on a 4.0 scale for all courses counting toward the degree. Magna

cum laude is the designation for a GPA of 3.5 to 3.79, and cum laude indicates a GPA of 3.2-3.49.

Founded in 1870 as the University of Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy, Missouri University of Science and Technology (Missouri S&T) is a research university of more than 8,600 students and part of the four-campus University of Missouri System.

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For more information about Missouri S&T, visit www.mst.edu or contact the admissions office at 800-522-0938.

Folk makes honor list at Missouri University of Science and Technology

ROLLA, MO — Missouri University of Science and Technology announces the names of students including Melanie Folk, from Wilmington, engineering management who made the honor list for the Fall 2018 semester.

To be included on the honor list, students must have carried a minimum of 12 hours and had grade point averages of 3.2 or above out of a possible 4.0.

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Keane donates hair to help those less fortunate

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of their identity so getting a wig and feeling more of themselves is really important," she said in an interview with Bill Marcus of WBZ News Radio. "It grows back for me, and not everyone is that lucky."

As one who considers her

own hair to be a large part of her identity, Keane knows the loss of it would be devastating for her. Therefore, she aims to aid someone else's pain with her donation.

"If I lost my hair, I would be devastated and I wouldn't know who I was anymore because it's such a part of my job and just my personality,"

she said. "For me it's just a haircut but for someone else it's totally, could totally be life changing."

Keane documented her donation on her twitter page @AmandaKeaneNews in order for others to see what happens if they choose to donate as well.

Board debates posting town contracts

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posting collective bargaining agreements, in addition to the superintendent's agreement. She also argued that the town should post the Town Manager's contract if the superintendent's is shared.

"It really has to be a joint effort for consistency, not only within our schools but

within the town," said Byrnes. Committee member David Ragsdale added that the superintendent's contract would be the most significant to community members.

"As the superintendent is the real instructional leader, the district leader, and the person everyone identifies with as the head of the school system, I think that's what people would be most inter-

ested in," Ragsdale said.

All other committee members present (Bryson, Thomas Talbot, and Jo Newhouse) said that they agreed with the idea of posting the superintendent and collective bargaining agreements, but not individual contracts. With Stephen Bjork and Julie Broussard not in attendance, the committee held off on taking a vote.

Supt. not sure when plan will be ready

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this was a "very key" question, but that he wasn't sure exactly how the timeline would align with scheduled School Committee meetings. "It is still my intention that we conclude this year with a plan that... even if it's considered a draft that's brought to you for initial feedback, at some point in that May/June timeframe," said Brand.

Brand also gave an update on the FY20 superintendent's recommended budget. The initial budget was discussed and presented at the Dec. 12 meeting of the School Committee.

"There's been no significant or significant changes since we last updated you," said Brand.

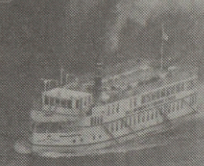
Brand emphasized that budget changes would be driven by enrollment changes, which the school depart-

ment continues to monitor. The overall budget represents a four percent increase to \$42,939,603, representing a 3.57 percent increase in salary changes and a 5.56 percent increase in non-salary changes.

"We believe that with a four percent increase we can provide and deliver the level of services, based upon the known needs, resource needs we have at this point in time," Brand said.

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Rotarians welcome Dr. Brand

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(photo: BruceHilliard.com)

Company stays local with new owners

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are in season, they'll look in every avenue to find a particular flower or plant that someone needs. They love to try out new arrangements and challenge themselves in new ways when it comes to customization. Godding boasted that she recently made a German Shepard out of flowers.

They love being a local, Wilmington and family-owned shop both because of their love for the town and for the benefits to their own families. Strazzere and Godding agreed that Wilmington is the best town to live and to work in.

Strazzere is married with two young children — 5-year-old Amera and 2-year-old Ali — and Godding is married with a baby boy on the way.

"My daughter loves the flowers," Strazzere shared. "She's going to grow up here."

It's their joy to raise their children and share their passion with them.

Going forward, they're excited to lead under the same principles of giving back to the community and to the people of Wilmington that Hill did.

"Anybody who needs help, we help them," Godding continued.

They give flowers for prom and other school functions, churches, veterans, and the 4th of July celebration. They give discounts to any teacher who comes in to make a purchase.

"We support all fraternal and civic organizations," Hill added.

They're also able to support other local flower shops by buying from places like Power Flowers of Tewksbury. And, in fact, while the *Town Crier* was visiting, Strazzere and Godding gave a customer their purchase for free just knowing that it was for a fundraiser.

The Designs by Don co-owners make up all of the company's employees. They work so

well together, Strazzere explained, because they have always pushed each other to be better and never competed.

"We do as much as we can ourselves."

When they have to divide responsibilities separately, she said,

"Megan does the flowers and I'll go on the deliveries."

Most of their jobs are same-day deliveries or pickups of flower arrangements, plants, or gift baskets for occasions from weddings to holidays to business accounts. Their flowers come from all over the world: Ecuador, Colombia, Holland, Canada, Florida, California, and Connecticut, to name the sources of the flowers they have right now.

Strazzere and Godding are energized daily by being able to do what they love and they have a lot of fun doing it.

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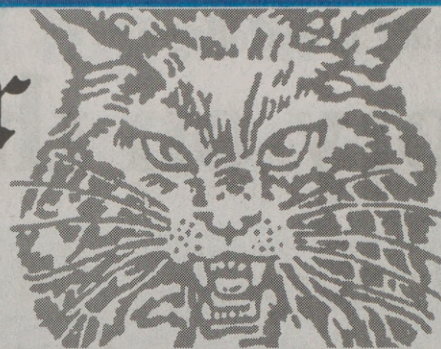
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Senior crowned the best 600-meter runner in the ML

Self-confidence has helped Garrity finish at the top

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ROXBURY - Having confidence and believing in yourself are two very important aspects that are needed to be a successful athlete.

A perfect example of that is Wilmington High School senior Emma Garrity.

Last February as a junior, Garrity placed third at the Middlesex League Championship Meet in the 600-meters. She went on to finish with a very disappointing fourth place finish at the Division 4 Eastern Mass Championship Meet, missing out on a top three spot and a trip to her first All-State Meet appearance

continue to run at Bryant University in Rhode Island. "My training hasn't changed much, but my approach has. During my sophomore and junior years, I would hang back and try to catch people. Now I'm getting out to stronger with more aggressive starts and I'm trying to establish the lead. I'm doing that with more speed and definitely with more confidence."

In the final heat, Garrity got off to that strong start, took the lead right away and never looked back. She crossed the finish line two-plus full seconds over runner-up Lily Sheth of Lexington and over seven seconds better than the

he said. "We have been working on going out hard so she can build up her muscle endurance. Even if she doesn't continue that pace on the last lap, she will gradually get better. Ever since the Coaches Invitational Meet, Emma wanted to break the barrier and tonight she did that."

That barrier included a very strong runner in Sheth, who helped her team finish as the league champions.

"Through the first 300-meters of the race (Sheth) was right on Emma's back and then around the 350-meter mark, Emma opened it up and had a big lead, probably about ten meters and then took it from there," said Schell. "She led the entire way. I thought Emma ran a flawless race. She appeared to be much more comfortable than I've seen her and she was more positive."

"We wanted her to get out to the lead and then hold everybody else off. She really did that when she opened up the gap."

Schell added that Garrity's time of 1:37.40 just missed out on qualifying for the National Meet held in New York, but he thinks she may have another shot at it. That shot could possibly come "in 13 days," said Garrity, already counting down to her next race.

"I think this week we will continue to work on getting out harder and more aggressive and then next week take it easy," she said about preparing for the Division 4 Eastern Mass Meet to be held on the 17th. "I just want to run the same way that I did tonight."

"I'd like to get out to a lead and try to maintain that and then kick hard in the last 50 meters. I think I definitely could have pushed harder on my kick in tonight's race. For me the second lap is always the toughest. The first one you always have so much energy and adrenaline. When the second lap hits, you just want to get through it and finish, but you learn that the second lap is more about position."

In last year's D4 600-meter race, Garrity finished with a time of 1:41.62, thus she has dropped her time by more than four seconds which is incredible. She finished fourth behind three girls who will all be back again on the 17th.

"Finishing fourth by .01 seconds was definitely tough and it's something that I never want to happen again," she said. "That was the most frustrating sports related thing to ever to happen to me. My number one goal is to qualify for the All-States and only the top three make it. Of course I want to be a state champion, but making it to the All-States for the first time is my main goal. Getting there will be a tough obstacle, but I know in my mind that I can't finish fourth again. It'll just drive me crazy again."

If you take Garrity's time from Monday's ML Meet and match it up against the times from last year's Division 1-4 Eastern Mass Meets, Garrity would finish third at both the Division 2 and 3 Meets and then fourth at Division 1. So certainly the potential to finish in the top three on the 17th is an attainable goal.

"If she runs the way she did tonight at the state meet, Emma has as good of a chance to win it as anybody else competing," said Schell.



Wilmington High sophomore Brandon Moy, a member of the Wilmington/North Reading Co-Op Boys' Swim team, loses his goggles while competing in a race during an earlier season meet held at the Reading YMCA. Both the boys and girls swim teams competed at the Cape Ann League Championship Meet on Sunday. Turn inside this section for a complete re-cap. (photo by Nicole Goodhue Boyd)

Gake part of two nationally ranked relay teams at Tufts University

By JAMIE POTE
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Back in February of 2016, the Wilmington High School girls' indoor track-and-field team captured its first and only Middlesex League Freedom Division Championship title when the 4x400 relay team totally dominated Burlington in a winner take-all event.

One of the four members of that relay team was Julia Gake. Now three years later, she is once again a part of an elite relay team, two to be precise, as a junior member of the Tufts University women's track-and-field team.

On Friday, competing in their first distance medley relay race of the 2019 indoor season, the foursome of juniors Lauren Diaz, Rhemi Toth and Gake, with senior Julia Noble finished with a time of 12:01.74 at the New England Intercollegiate Amateur Athletic Association Championships held at the Reggie Lewis Center, which ranks third in Division 3 schools in the entire nation.

The Jumbos were fourth out of 13 teams in the race, which included Division I, II and III relays. Tufts was the only Division 3 team in the field and finished 0.03 behind third-place Northeastern (12:01.71) from Division I. The mark is faster than the 12:04.56 time that the Jumbo DMR ran to place 10th at the NCAA Division III Indoor Championships last March. Toth and Gake were both a part of that relay.

"The DMR is one of my favorite events and it was

exciting to be able to run a solid time in the event our first time competing as a team," said Gake. "Being

third in the nation this early in the season is great to see because I know that we still

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Wilmington resident Julia Gake, a junior at Tufts University, is a member of two relay teams which are ranked at the top nationally in Division 3. (courtesy photo/TU).



Wilmington High senior Emma Garrity, shown during an earlier dual meet, was crowned the 600-meter champion during Monday's Middlesex League Championship Meet held at the Reggie Lewis Center. (photo by Nicole Goodhue Boyd).

by .01 seconds.

The .01 seconds has stayed with her ever since. It stayed with her during the spring season, during the hot summer days when she trained for this upcoming season. It stayed with her at the start of this winter season when she sat out for two weeks with a sprained ankle.

At the front of her mind though, was getting to that finish line - and getting to it quicker than anyone else in the entire league.

On Monday night, Garrity was crowned the best 600 runner in the league with a personal best and school record time of 1:37.40, breaking Julia Gake's mark of 1:38.18, which was set back in the winter of 2015.

"Honestly, I think the difference for me this year is being more confident," said Garrity, who earlier this school year signed her National Letter of Intent to

eight place finisher. A total of 31 girls competed in this event and Garrity topped them all.

"I was seeded first so there was some pressure going into the race, but I wasn't going to let that get to me," she said. "It was a tough race especially because I hadn't gone up against any of the girls from the (Middlesex League Liberty Division) and those girls are always such tough competition. I was just focusing on going out hard in the first 400-meters, getting a lead and building on that in the last lap."

Garrity's coach Brian Schell has really worked with Garrity over the last handful of indoor and outdoor seasons. He has really tried to shift Garrity's approach and thought process around.

"Emma did exactly what I have been telling her to do,"

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Former Shawsheen star breaks all-time scoring record at Curry College

Irwin makes history on the court again

By MIKE IPPOLITO
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BIDDEFORD, ME - When the big moment finally arrived, and Curry College senior guard Emily Irwin had become the all-time leading scorer in program history, the celebration was somewhat muted, considering the enormity of her accomplishment. But then again, timing is everything. With 1:11 left in the first quarter of last Wednesday's Commonwealth Coast Conference clash between Irwin's Curry Colonels and the University of New England (UNE), Irwin scored after grabbing a rebound and putting the ball back up among a scrum of players for the 1,465th and 1,466th points of her illustrious career. That put back broke the scoring record held previously by 2015 Curry graduate Kylie Beltz. The game was stopped immediately and Irwin didn't know the reason. The 2015 graduate of Shawsheen Tech headed to the sideline. "I thought maybe a timeout had been called, so I came over to the bench and my coach told me they had stopped the game for me," said the Billerica resident, who has a large contingent of family members in Wilmington and Tewksbury. "(UNE) was kind enough to stop the game, which was really nice of them and they announced (the accomplishment) to the crowd, so I was able to go over to the bench and hug my teammates and coaches. Then the game continued."

For Curry head coach Fran Elms, seeing Irwin break the record in the fashion she did was a perfect example of the way that she played the game.

"That basket was typical of Emily where she went up and got the rebound and put it in," Elms said. "That is the type of player she is."

Once again, timing is

everything. If she had broken the record one game earlier the celebration would have been through the roof. Heading into their previous game, at home against Endicott the Saturday before, Irwin had needed 18 points to break the record.

She was averaging 18 points per game on the season and because of that a large contingent of family, friends and former coaches had made the trek to Milton to see history, only to see Irwin score 16 points and come up just shy of breaking the record.

"My whole family came to the game, so it would have been nice to do it there, but I couldn't quite get it," Irwin said. "I told everyone they didn't need to come to Maine for this game, but my mom still came with my grandmother and our media guys from Curry traveled all the way to the game. That was really nice of them to travel and for (UNE) to be so nice."

While the celebration on Wednesday night was a little more understated than last Saturday's (yes, the family still celebrated despite coming up short of the record), it was perhaps fitting that even in this biggest of moments Irwin flew somewhat under the radar.

You would be hard pressed to find a more unassuming superstar than Irwin. And make no mistake; a superstar is what she is. After scoring over 1,000 points during her career at Shawsheen Tech and being named Lowell Sun Player of Year as a senior, Irwin moved on to Curry where she immediately took the CCC by storm, winning CCC Rookie of the Year as a freshman.

As a sophomore she led her Curry squad with 16.8 points per game, before having a season for the ages last season, leading the CCC in points per game (18.2), total points (474), steals per

game (5.6), total steals (145), and ranked second in assists per game and total assists.

She also led all of Division 3 in total steals and ranked second in the country in steals per game, while being named CCC Defensive Player of the Year.

This season, she picked up right where she left off, averaging 17.6 points per game, which is good for second in the CCC. In addition, she is also second in rebounds per game (8.2) and leads the league in steals per game at 5.1. Still, however, she finds all of her success somewhat hard to believe.

"I never could have imagined this," Irwin said. "I came from a small high school in a small league. We accomplished so much there, but coming to college, I never had an inkling that I could do this. I had no idea."

"I really don't look at stats a lot, I just look at what I can do to improve and to help our team win."

Elms will be the first to tell you that Irwin, despite her offensive prowess, is the consummate team player, doing whatever it takes to help her team succeed.

"She is a very hard worker, especially in practice. Sometimes I feel like I have to hold her back a little," Elms said. "Every coach should have a player like her. She is talented, and she is strong, both physically and mentally and she is always looking for ways to improve."

Thus far, Irwin has helped the Colonels to a 10-10 overall record and 7-5 mark within the CCC. Consecutive losses to the University of New England and Western New England have dropped the Colonels to fifth place in the CCC, but Irwin is looking to help her squad finish strong heading into the post-season. While they are in fifth now, they



Last Wednesday night, Emily Irwin broke the all-time scoring record for the Curry College Women's Basketball team. Above she heads to the net during an earlier season game against Pine Manor College. (courtesy photo/CC).

are just one game out of third place.

"We were ranked sixth in the preseason, and we were all the way up to third," Irwin said. "Earlier in the year we beat the University of New England for the first time in 14 years, so I feel like we have a very good team. We have some people coming back from injury, so hopefully we can play well and get into the top four so we get a home game in the playoffs."

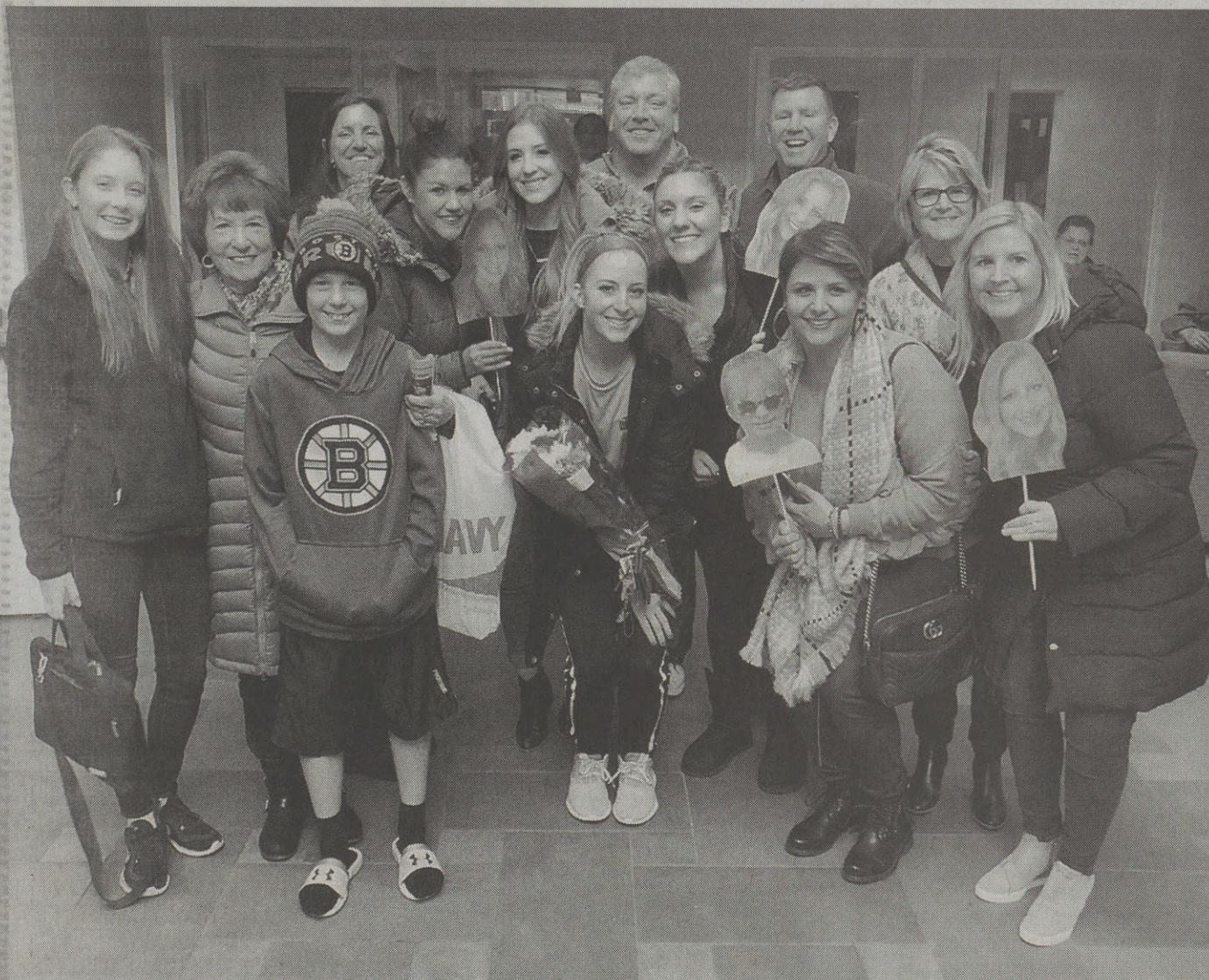
With five games left in the regular season, followed by what she hopes will be a lengthy playoff run, Irwin knows her career is winding down, but she has hardly had time to consider the end of her career at point.

"I haven't really thought about it yet, except that now when we lose a game I feel bad because I know we won't have next year to try and get back at them and win," Irwin said. "I realized that after the loss to (UNE), that unless we see them in the playoffs we won't get a chance to face them again."

It's not surprising the Irwin is thinking about team goals first, as that is what

she has done from the time she was a freshman in high school until now as her college career nears its end. Her individual success had been astounding, but she is smart enough to know that she has not done it alone.

"Whenever things like this happen, I am always very mindful that I could never do this without my teammates," Irwin said. "You can't score without your teammates. It is not an individual game. I could not do any of this without them, and I could not have asked for more for my entire four years here at Curry."



Just five days before Emily Irwin broke the all-time scoring mark at Curry College, a large group of her family and friends attended the previous game hoping she would accomplish the feat then, instead she fell two points shy in the game against Endicott College. She did break the mark in Wednesday's win over UNE. Among the group includes Emily's cousins Lindsay, Ben, Brittany, Jacques Bento and Kelly Torpey, her grandmother, her aunt Sally Peabody, Uncle Sal, family friends Carol, Kerin and Mike O'Hearn, as well as Emily's sister Marissa and father Robert. (courtesy photo).



Senior guard Emily Irwin in action for the Curry College Women's Basketball team. She is now No. 1 all-time in the program in scoring. (courtesy photo/CC).

Wilmington resident Zella named head lacrosse coach at North Andover

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On Tuesday evening, the North Andover High School Athletic Department announced on social media that Wilmington resident Steve Zella has been named the new varsity boys' lacrosse coach.

Zella, who has also been involved in coaching youth sports here in town, has a long history of playing and

coaching lacrosse. He was a Boston Globe and Boston Herald, and Patriot Ledger All-Scholastic goalie while playing for Weymouth High School in the late 1990s. He then went on to become an all-star player at Springfield College, and later on after his coaching career begun, he tried out for the Boston Blazers as a midfielder and then went on to play on a number of other teams, including the Canton

MegaMen.

Since 2007, Zella has served as the head coach at Brookline High School. He took over a program that finished with one win in 2006 and increased that total to three, while the Warriors gave up half the amount of goals as they did the previous year under then head coach Rocky Batty.

The following year, he led Brookline to its first win over league rival Newton

North since 1976, ranging roughly 64 games. Then in 2011, he led the team to its first playoff appearance in 25 years. The team finished with an 13-5 regular season record, before beating Medford in a preliminary round of the Division 1 North Sectional tournament and then falling to Lexington in the first round.

Brookline then competed in post-season play in 2015, '16 and '17, all out of the

Division 1 South bracket. The Warriors finished 12-7, 14-5 and 10-9 respectively, losing in the first round in all three seasons to Franklin, Marshfield and the eventual D1 South Finalist of Duxbury.

Zella takes over one of the top high school lacrosse programs in the state. North Andover is a perennial state contender almost every year, including being the No. 1 seed in the Division 1

North Bracket this past year but were eliminated by neighbor Andover in the first round.

The Scarlet Knights had been coached by Ryan Connolly since 2012 and he had taken over for his father Steve, who spent the previous 13 years as the head coach. The father-and-son duo, along with Ryan's brother Jimmy, were all outstanding players in Billerica and then UMass-Amherst.

Grapplers pick up a big win over Georgetown/Ipswich

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WILMINGTON — It has been a season of highs and lows for the Wilmington High Wrestling team, but last Thursday night, in their final home dual meet of the season, the Wildcats came up with their most impressive victory of the season, beating a very talented

Georgetown/Ipswich team by a score of 36-30.

Georgetown/Ipswich entered last Thursday's meet with 22 wins on the season, but in front of an enthusiastic home crowd, the Wildcats had just enough to get past a team that is consistently one of the better teams in Division 3.

"They are a great team out of our section," Wilmington coach Joel McKenna said. "The past three or four years they have been averaging nearly 20 wins a season and they came into this meet with 22 wins. They are great competitors and they are very talented kids."

As talented as their opponents might have been, the Wildcats entered the meet determined to close out their home season on a high note, and they were certainly motivated by a packed gym at Wilmington High.

"They knew this would be their last home meet and they wanted to make the most of it," McKenna said. "We had a lot of fans there to support us and a lot of youth wrestlers there cheering us on. It was a great atmosphere and we were able to come up with some big wins."

Among big winners for the Wildcats was junior Ryan Martin at 145 pounds, who won by pin in a time of 1:51.

Ryan started the year off

slow. He was injured the first month of the season and it took him a while to get going," McKenna said. "In reality he has only been wrestling for about a month, whereas these other kids have been at it for two or two and half months, so I think he is finally getting back into the swing of things."

"There was a lot of adversity for him to deal with, but he has had some big wins as of late and that speaks to his character. He is always at practice and he is always putting in extra time to try and improve."

Sophomore Dylan Clerico also came up with a big win, getting a pin in a time of 1:45 at 152 pounds.

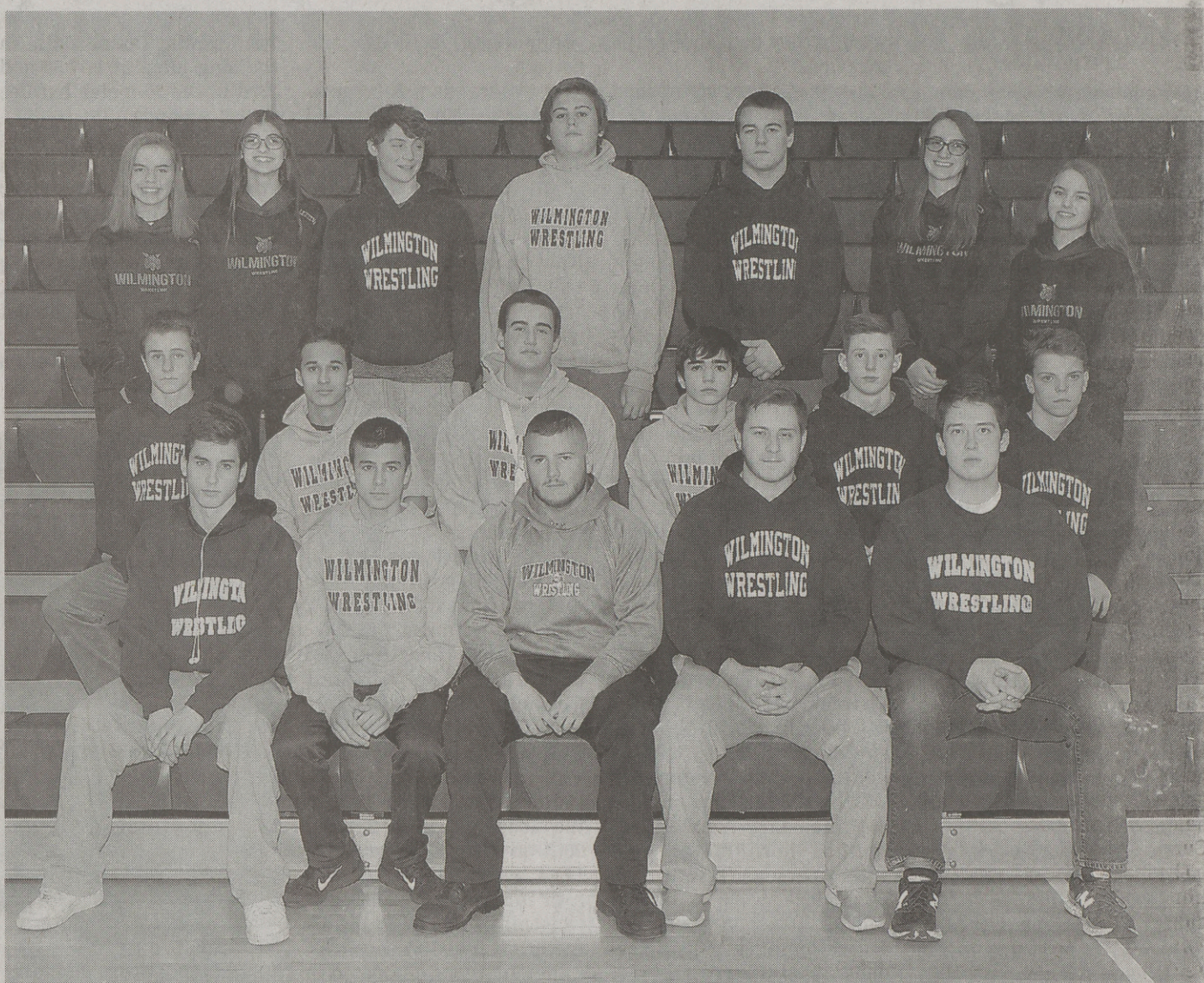
"Dylan is a first year wrestler, so he is learning on the fly, but he has risen to the occasion," McKenna said. "He has improved leaps and bounds since the start of the year. It was so awesome to see him do well. He had to get up off his back in this one to get the win, so we were so happy for him to see him do so well."

Other winners on the day for the Wildcats included sophomore Shane Penney at 120 pounds (pin, 3:46) and senior Nick Kullman at 220 pounds (pin, 2:53).

"It was just a great effort all around," McKenna said. "The kids did really well. They stepped up and got a big win."

On Saturday, the Wildcats traveled to Reading High School to compete in a quad meet, and suffered three hard fought losses, falling to Reading (39-27), Greater Lowell (42-33) and Tewksbury (44-30).

While the results were not what the Wildcats were looking for, McKenna was hardly disappointed with his team's effort, especially considering that his already shorthanded roster



The 2018-19 WHS Wrestling team has completed its regular season and will now compete in the Division 3 North Sectional Meet this weekend. The team includes front row, from left, Alex Stearns, Jacob Bernard, Assistant Coach Andy Lesperance, Nick Kullman and Ryan Murphy. Middle row from left, Joe Ganley, Adam Lopez, Dean Nally, Nicholas Doyle, Ryan Martin, and Dylan Clerico; and back row includes from left, Team Manager Seanna Rankin, Team Manager Isabel Lentini, Shane Penny, Jack Malley, Stephen Smolinsky, Team Manager Elise Lentini, and Team Manager Leah Paolillo.

(photo by Jim Vaiknoras)

was missing two additional wrestlers as starters Stephen Smolinsky and Dylan Clerico were forced to miss the meet due to injuries.

"We wrestled as well as we could, considering the circumstances, but that is tough when you are losing two additional guys," McKenna said. "I have no complaints with the kids who were able to wrestle. They did a great job trying to help us get some wins, but it's tough when we were

so shorthanded."

The Wildcats had several multiple winners on the day, with Kullman leading the way at 195 pounds, going 3-0 on the day.

"I just can't say enough good things about Nick," McKenna said. "He really has put together a solid season for himself. He leads by example and he has been doing a great job for us."

Other multiple winners on the day for the Wildcats included Jacob Bernard

(113 pounds), Penney (120), Joe Ganley (126), Alex Stearns (132) and Ryan Martin (145), each of whom went 2-1 on the day.

On Saturday, the Wildcats will travel to Melrose High School for the Division 3 North Sectional

Tournament. While the Wildcats have been shorthanded in virtually every match this season, the sectional tournament offers them a chance to compete on a bit more of a level playing field with some of

the best competition in their section.

"The kids are excited for it," McKenna said. "This is what a lot of the kids have been setting their sights on all season, trying to place at the sectionals and advance to states. It is not easy to do. We are in a tough section, with lots of great coaches and great wrestlers. But it is a great opportunity for a lot of our kids. We are looking forward to it."

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WHS Boys Track team competes at the ML Championship Meet

Once again Thomas emerges as one of the top throwers in the league

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ROXBURY - Last year at the Middlesex League Track-and-Field Championship Meet, the Wilmington High School boys' team finished 10th and had two individuals, including John Kenney breaking a school record and Tyler Thomas who was fifth in the shot put, leading the way. Those two performances along with two relay teams accounted for all of the team's points.
On Monday afternoon, the Wildcats were back at the Reggie Lewis Center and the meet almost played out exactly the same. The Wildcats finished tied with Belmont for ninth place and were led by Thomas, and three other individuals including juniors Greg Adamek and Brian Elderd and, freshman Sean Riley. The four of them accounted for all of the 'Cats 18 team points.
"Overall it was a good day with a lot of personal records for many of the kids," said head coach Mike Kinney. "It was nice to see Tyler and Greg do so well. I

thought they both rose to the occasion."
Thomas, a senior, finished second in the shot put and just missed out on being the league champion. His best throw on the day was 46-8. That mark stood throughout the entire competition until the last throw of the night when Stoneham's Chris Belliveau came through with a 47-4 gem to take the honors away.
"This was a huge personal record for Tyler," said Kinney. "His previous best was 43-11. He has improved so much and today he really showed what he can do."
Last year Thomas threw 43-1, thus in one calendar year, he went from throwing 43-1 to 46-8, a dramatic improvement. He will once again be competing in the Division 4 Eastern Mass Championship Meet which will be held back at the RLC on February 17th.
Several of his teammates will be joining him on that day including Adamek. He finished third in the mile with a personal record time of 4:35.52.
"That was a personal record for Greg by two seconds," said Kinney. "He just

continues to get better and better."
Last year, Adamek competed in the 1,000 meters and finished 17th overall.
The final two members to score points in the meet were Riley and Elderd both in the same event, the 600. Riley was sixth at 1:28.99 and Elderd was eighth at 1:29.59.
The two of them along with Kevin Elderd and Jake Danieli finished 9th in the 4x400 relay with a combined time of 3:52.22, just missing out on scoring points for the team with the league just counting the top eight in each event.
Kevin Elderd was tripped up competing in the 1,000 and still managed to finish 14th with a time of 2:49.60.
The 4x200 relay team of Jeandre Abel, Matt Chisholm, Richard Stuart and Mike Fothergill finished 10th at 1:41.25. Abel was also 12th in the 300 at 38.95, Fothergill was also 15th in the long jump (17-3) and 20th in the 55-meter dash (7.24 seconds). Stuart was 25th in the 300 at 40.66 and Chisholm was 30th in the 55-meter dash at 7.37 seconds.
Sam Juergens competed in

two events, taking 12th in the long jump at 17-7.50 and 23rd in the 55-meter hurdles at 9.71 seconds.
A handful of other members of the team put forth strong efforts in their events. In the dash, Bruce Veliz was 33rd at 7.50 seconds. In the 300, Max Duong was 28th at 40.96. In the 600, Joe Demoura finished 21st at 1:36.85.
In the 1,000, Vincent Del La

Cruz was 16th at 2:49.77 and John Ware was 29th at 3:17.14. In the mile, Sean Lydon was 23rd at 5:07.82 with his brother Joe 25th at 5:13.75.
Finally in the two-mile, it was Ben Packer 12th at 10:22.12 and Joe Hartzell 26th at 12:39.63.
In the other events, Sam Vince was tenth in the 55-meter hurdles at 8.81 with AJ Curdo taking 27th at

10.57. Then in the shot put, Chris Medeiros was 15th at 36-1 and Coleman Kelly was 20th, throwing 33-6.50.
Lexington won the meet with 116 points, followed by Woburn (75), Arlington (53), Reading (43.5), Wakefield (37.5), Burlington and Winchester (27), Watertown (26), Belmont and Wilmington (18), Stoneham (12) and Melrose (10).



Olivia Erler competes in the mile run during an earlier season track meet held at the Reggie Lewis Center. (photo by Nicole Goodhue Boyd).

WHS Girls Track-and-Field Wildcats slide up a few notches at ML Championship Meet

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ROXBURY - Before the season started, head coach Brian Schell was unhappy with the direction his team was headed and stated that he wasn't going to just hand over starting spots to the members of the team just to fill in a line-up sheet. Rather, spots were open for everyone and those who worked for them would be rewarded.
Certainly that strategy paid off as the Wildcats improved a great deal from the start of the season back in early December to this past Monday night. The Wildcats finished in seventh place at the Middlesex League Championship Track-and-Field Meet held at the Reggie Lewis Center. Last year the team finished 12th.
Lexington won the meet compiling 110.5 points, followed by Woburn (69.5), Belmont (67.5), Winchester (52), Melrose (48), Wakefield (32), Wilmington (29.5), Burlington (23), Arlington and Watertown (16) and Reading (9).
"We definitely had a real good day," said Schell. "For a championship meet, this is what you want to see happen. We have basically trained for this meet all season. We had a number of big personal records and overall solid times and place finishes. I'm very happy for these kids."
Wilmington was led by senior Emma Garrity (see related story), who was crowned the league champi-

on in the 600-meters, while establishing a new school record with a time of 1:37.40. She also joined Evelyn Miller-Nuzzo, Amanda Broussard and Maggie Bourgeois to finish fifth in the 4x400 relay race with a combined time of 4:23.76.
While Garrity's first place and school record certainly stood out, so did the performance of senior Amie Russell in the shot put. She had her best day to date, throwing 33-8 in the shot put to finish third overall. Last year she was eighth at 31-05.
"That was a huge personal record for Amie," said Schell. "(Assistant) coach (Don) Wilson has been really working with her on getting better from the back of the circle and Amie certainly put it all together in this meet. It was great to see that."
Junior Hannah LaVita finished in a tie for third place in the high jump, clearing 5-1.
"She's been consistent and she's also been at 5-1 for a while now, but one of these days she is going to emerge and get over that next hump," said Schell.
The last member of the team to score points (place in the top eight) was Katie McLaughlin, who was sixth in the long jump at 15-1.50.
"It was a big personal record for Katie, but I don't think she qualified for the state meet," said Schell. "She may be in the mix, but not sure as of yet. She's been helped by our new volunteer coach Dave Giuliana, who has been immensely helpful to us. I thought Katie

had a real good day for herself."
McLaughlin also joined her sister Julia as well as Anna Rideout and Ashlyn Buckley to finish eighth in the 4x200 relay with a time of 1:59.57 to close out the team's scoring. Katie was also 24th in the 300 with a time of 48.25. Also in that same event included Broussard, who was 9th at 45.05 and Ashlyn Buckley, who was 22nd at 47.62.
Besides the finish in the 4x400, Miller-Nuzzo was 14th in the 600 (1:53.26) and Bourgeois was 20th at 1:53.26.
In the other running events, Rideout was 21st in the 55-meter dash at 8.23 with Miriam Nelson behind in 31st place at 8.96, while she was also 27th in the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 11.28 seconds.
Amber Flynn (26th, 3:33.29), Samantha Burke (31st, 3:47.26) and Angelyn Ciampa (32nd, 3:51.07) competed in the 1,000 meters, and in the mile, it was Gianna Misuraca (24th, 6:08.49), Allison Jordan (29th, 6:25.12) and Cafissa Rubin (30th, 6:27.06).
Finally, Olivia Erler was 25th in the two-mile with a time of 14:37.60.
In the other events, Joanne Arulraj was 30th in the 55-meter hurdles at 13.33, Julianna Patrone was tied for ninth in the high jump (4-9), Lauren Giuliana was 25th in the long jump (12-2.50) and finally, Shannon Murphy was 19th (26-10) and Chase Andersen was 31st (23-11) in the shot put.

Where's the Action?

Day	Date	Sport	Opponent	Time
Wilmington High Sports				
Friday	February 8	V Boys/Girls Hoop	vs Stoneham	5:15/7 pm
Saturday	February 9	V Wrestling	at D3 Sectionals	TBA
Saturday	February 9	V Boys/Girls Hockey	vs Wakefield	12/2:20 pm
Tuesday	February 12	V Boys/Girls Hoop	vs Watertown	5:15/7 pm
Tuesday	February 12	V Girls Hockey	vs Stoneham	8:00 pm
Wednesday	February 13	V Boys Hockey	vs Stoneham	8:00 pm
Tewksbury High Sports				
Thursday	February 7	V Gymnastics	at MVC Meet - A2	5:30 pm
Friday	February 8	B/G Track	MVC Meet - RLC	2:00 pm
Friday	February 8	V Girls Hoop	at Haverhill	7:00 pm
Friday	February 8	V Boys Hoop	vs Haverhill	7:00 pm
Saturday	February 9	V Wrestling	at D2 Sectionals	TBA
Saturday	February 9	V Boys Hockey	at Lin-Sudbury	3:10 pm
Saturday	February 9	V Girls Hockey	vs Westford	5:00 pm
Sunday	February 10	V Boys Hoop	vs Tyngsboro	5:00 pm
Tuesday	February 12	V Girls Hoop	at Chelmsford	7:00 pm
Tuesday	February 12	V Boys Hoop	vs Chelmsford	7:00 pm
Wednesday	February 13	V Boys Hockey	vs Methuen	7:20 pm
Shawsheen Tech Sports				
Thursday	February 7	V Boys Hockey	vs Lynn	7:10 pm
Friday	February 8	V Girls Hoop	vs Whittier Tech	5:30 pm
Friday	February 8	V Boys Hoop	at Whittier Tech	7:00 pm
Saturday	February 9	V Wrestling	at D1 Sectionals	TBA
Saturday	February 9	V Boys Hockey	at Northeast	TBA
Saturday	February 9	V Girls Hockey	at Oakmont	8:00 pm
Sunday	February 11	V Girls Hockey	at Auburn	5:30 pm
Monday	February 11	V Girls Hoop	vs Dover-Sherborn	6:00 pm
Tuesday	February 12	V Boys Hoop	vs Northeast	7:00 pm
Wednesday	February 13	V Girls Hoop	at Arlington Catholic	5:00 pm
Wednesday	February 13	V Girls Hockey	vs Bishop Fenwick	7:00 pm

Middlesex League Freedom Division Girls Hockey

Melrose ends Wilmington's post-season aspirations

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

WILMINGTON - Minutes after the team's 4-0 loss to Melrose on Saturday afternoon, Wilmington High School girls' hockey coach John LaPiana acknowledged that his team was eliminated from state tournament play. Wilmington could not reach the .500 mark and he said were not eligible for the Sullivan Rule.

With the team's 4-9-4 overall record, Wilmington had to win its final five games in order to qualify with a .500 record at 8-8-4 (since the Ursuline Academy win wouldn't have counted). Certainly not advancing to the playoffs for the first time in the Middlesex League is a tough pill to swallow, but the second-year coach certainly knows that drastic progress within the program has continued, despite not having one of the team's better showings with this loss to the Marauders.

"We had to win outright starting today so technically we are eliminated (from post-season contention) after today's loss," he said. "There's been a lot of positives in this season. There's been a lot of progress collectively, it's just I'm very disappointed for the seniors. It's always about the team, but I always have a special place in my heart for the

seniors. I'm mostly disappointed for them."

The Wildcats have been led all season by the team's three captains, defensemen Molly Foley and Jocelyn Palmer and forward Lia Kourkoutas.

The loss put Wilmington at 2-7-3 in league competition. The 'Cats are currently in fourth place in the ML Freedom Division, it's highest spot since finishing fourth back in 2013-14 and the year before that was third.

Despite not going to the playoffs, Wilmington can still accomplish a few things that a handful of previous teams couldn't do. The previous seven seasons, Wilmington's best win total against league competition was three, coming in those back-to-back seasons mentioned above.

The 'Cats have games remaining with a winless Burlington team, a one-win Watertown team, as well as Wakefield and Stoneham. The 'Cats defeated Burlington 4-0, tied Watertown 2-2 and ended in 2-1 defeats against Wakefield and Stoneham earlier this season.

Certainly there are wins out there for the taking, but like every other night and season, they don't come just by showing up to the rink.

"What's going to happen is going to happen, we are what we are and we are

made up of what we are made up of," said LaPiana. "What we are made up of is tremendously hard working girls who all have a great deal of character. But if you match us up against the rest of the league, it's always going to be a tough match-up."

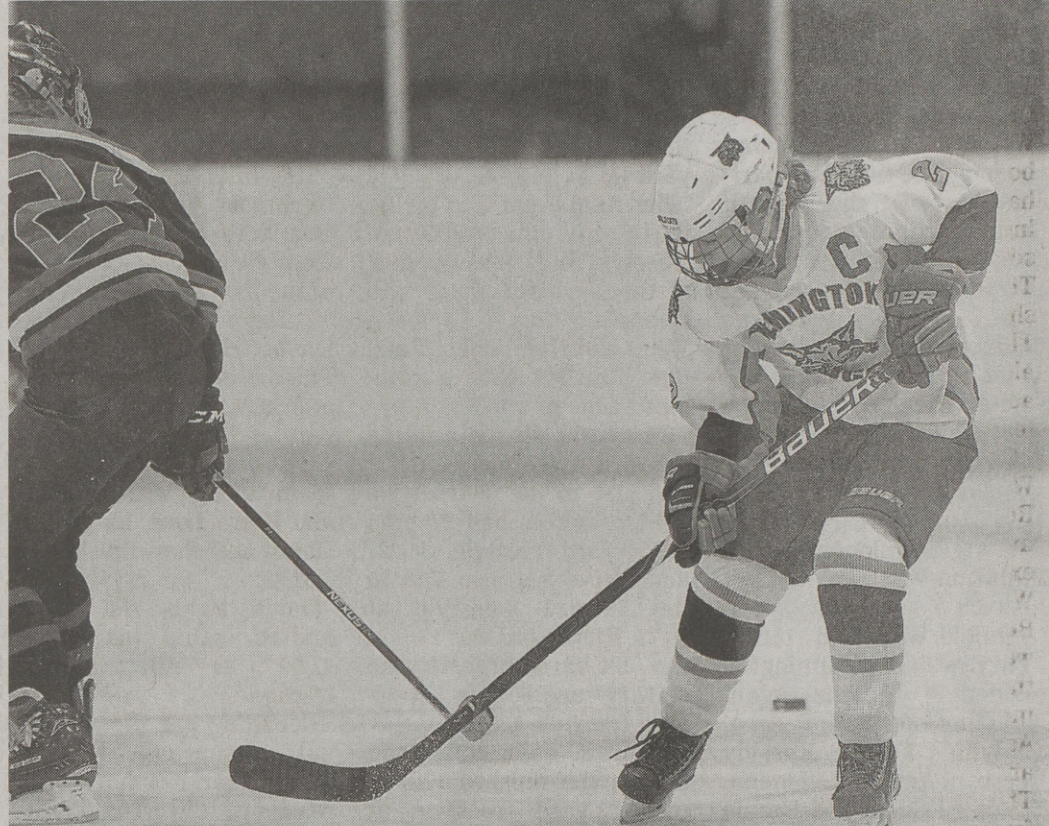
In addition to the possibility of winning more league games than the previous seven teams, the Wildcats have also made a drastic turnaround this year in goal differential, mostly goals against. Currently, Wilmington is giving up just 2.1 goals per game, which is absolutely incredible.

Last year under LaPiana that number was 2.8, and before him the marks were 3.75, 5.95, 3.55 and 2.6, that last one coming in the 2013-14 season when the team finished with an overall mark of 7-11-2 under then head coach Jeff Coveluzzi.

On the flip side of that is goals for and Wilmington continues to struggle. The 'Cats have scored just 27 goals this season, averaging just 1.59 per game. The team was shut out for the fourth time this season and also have scored just one goal in six other games.

In the loss on Saturday, the 'Cats managed just eight shots on net in the entire game, with just one in the first period.

"We didn't have much (offensive) zone time, we



Wilmington High senior captain Lia Kourkoutas tries to locate the puck during the team's game against Winchester from two weeks ago. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

didn't possess the puck (much) and we continued to try to carry the puck over (their) blue line when they were denying us entry," said LaPiana. "When (opposing teams) press, we dump (the puck in) and when they give us room, then we carry (the puck into their zone), that's the theory, but it wasn't necessarily the practice today."

"When (our kids) do what we tell them to do, we have a

fighting chance and when they don't, they go back to their same old ways."

The game was scoreless after the first, before the Marauders scored two in the second and two more in the third, including an empty-netter with 1:48 left.

Wilmington's best chance to score came on the lone shot of the first as Foley rushed the puck down the right hand boards and made

a cut to the front of the net and her wrist shot landed in the body of goalie Courtney O'Connor.

Melanie Hayden made 23 saves in the losing effort.

Wilmington faced Burlington on Wednesday with results not known as of presstime and will then host Wakefield on Saturday at 2:20 and Stoneham on Tuesday night at 8:00 pm.

Boys Hockey team drops seventh straight game

Wildcats can't shake past tough losing streak

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

WILMINGTON - The last time the Wilmington High School boys' hockey team scored more than one goal in a game was back on

December 29th, the same day of the team's last victory.

Since winning the Haverhill Christmas Tournament with a 4-1 win over a Chelmsford team -- a team headed to the Division

1 North Sectional tournament -- the Wildcats have hit a major skid. The team lost its seventh straight game on Saturday, a 4-1 decision to an outstanding Melrose team, one that could potentially make it to the Super-8

tournament.

The seven-game losing streak is the longest the program has gone through since entering the Middlesex League.

Wilmington started the season out with a strong

December going 4-2 with wins over Woburn, Belmont, Coyle-Cassidy and Chelmsford, while losing close games with Reading and Melrose. In those six games, with three against teams heading to post-sea-

son play, Wilmington compiled 24 goals.

Over the last seven games -- five coming against future post-season teams -- the 'Cats have scored five goals

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Wilmington-North Reading Co-Op Girls Swim team

Ryan places in fourth events to lead the way at CAL Championship M

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

SALEM - On Sunday morning, the first-year partnership of the North Reading/Wilmington co-op girls swim-and-dive team competed at the annual Cape Ann League Championship Meet held at Salem State University.

Triton Regional won the meet compiling 542 points and were followed by Manchester-Essex (389), Masconomet (291), North Reading/Wilmington (284), Hamilton-Wenham (236), Ipswich (185) and Lynnfield/Wakefield (161).

There's six Wilmington residents on the team including Jessica D'Arco, Ashlynn Finn, Kassidy Reese, Anna Germano, Nicole Ekstrom and Emma Ryan.

The season came to an end for the first five swimmers, while, Ryan and a handful of other North Reading residents will advance to this weekend's North Sectional Meet to be held at MIT.

Ryan, a sophomore, finished sixth in the 500-yard freestyle at 5:57.05 and ninth in the 200-freestyle at 2:15.17 as an individual. She was the anchor in the third place 200-yard medley relay along with Molly Feller, Kristina Valenti and Kaia Grabar as they combined for a time of 2:02.13.

The same foursome also combined for a fourth place finish in the 400-yard freestyle relay race with a combined time of 4:02.22.

Grabar was also fourth in the 100-yard butterfly (1:07.30) and seventh in the 200-yard freestyle (2:13.99), Valenti won the 100-yard freestyle (58.92) and was seventh in the 200-IM (2:29.83) and Feller picked up a third in the 50-yard freestyle (26.84) and an eighth in the 100-yard backstroke (1:11.45).

D'Arco competed in three

events, first finishing 16th in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:33.27 and then she was 21st in the 200-yard IM at 3:03.73.

Her final event was taking part in the 200-yard freestyle relay. She was part of the 'C' team along with Rebecca Curry, Joleen Weiss and Hannah Lord and they finished with a combined time of 2:19.81.

Curry was also 26th in the 100-yard freestyle (1:21.47) and 51st in the 50-freestyle (34.32), while, and 70th in the 50-yard freestyle (36.22) and Weiss was also 47th in the 50-yard freestyle at 33.77. Kiera Lord was 18th in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:37.37) and 60th in the 50-yard freestyle (35.15).

Ekstrom enjoyed a solid day as she finished 17th in the 100-yard freestyle at 1:12.27 and was 20th in the 50-yard freestyle at 37.60. In addition, she was part of the 12th place 200-yard freestyle relay team along with Kelly Crossan, Mary Regan and Caroline Belinowiz, who had a combined time of 2:12.26 and she was part of the eighth place 200-yard medley relay 'B' team along with Brianna Saunders-Correa, Melanie Feffer and Nicole Steinmeyer as the foursome finished collectively at 2:14.42.

In addition to that 200-yard freestyle relay, Crossan was also 35th in the 50-yard freestyle (32.74), Regan was also 20th in the 100-yard freestyle (1:13.83) and 31st in the 50-freestyle (32.48) and Belinowiz finished 17th in the 500-yard freestyle (7:05.50) and 18th in the 200-yard freestyle (2:37.59).

And in addition to that 200-yard medley relay, Saunders-Correa was 16th in both the 200-yard freestyle (2:35.56) and 500-yard freestyle (7:05.50), Feffer was fifth in both the 50-yard freestyle (32.48) and 100-yard breaststroke at 1:22.46.

Senior Ashlyn Finn of

Wilmington competed in the 50-yard freestyle and finished 33rd with a time of 32.70 seconds.

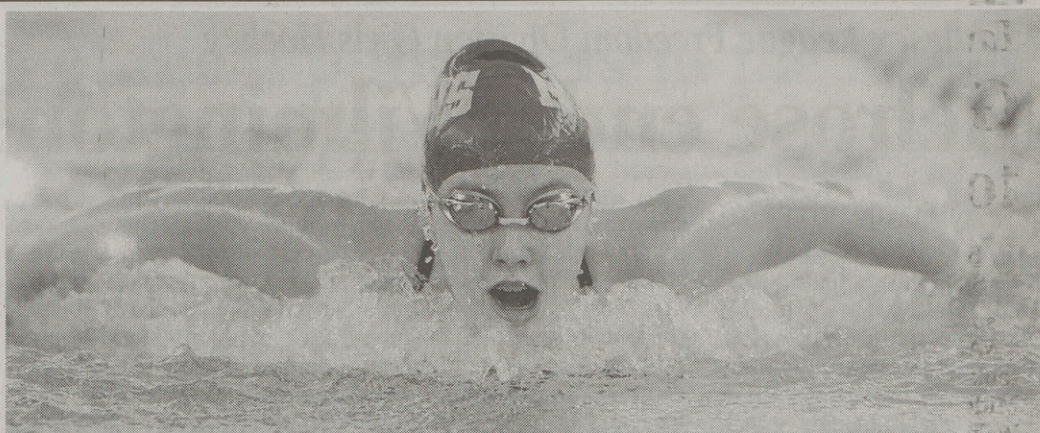
The final local swimmer, freshman Anna Germano, was 90th in the 50-yard freestyle at 39.80, was part of the 200-yard medley relay 'C' team along with Erin Davis, Hannah Lord and Paige Rosenthal with a time of 2:53.98, and then she was part of the 20th place 400-yard freestyle relay 'C' team along with Hannah and Kiera Lord, as well as Davis and they finished at 5:52.90.

Davis was also 71st at 36.76 and Rosenthal was 99th at 47.99 in the 50-yard freestyle.

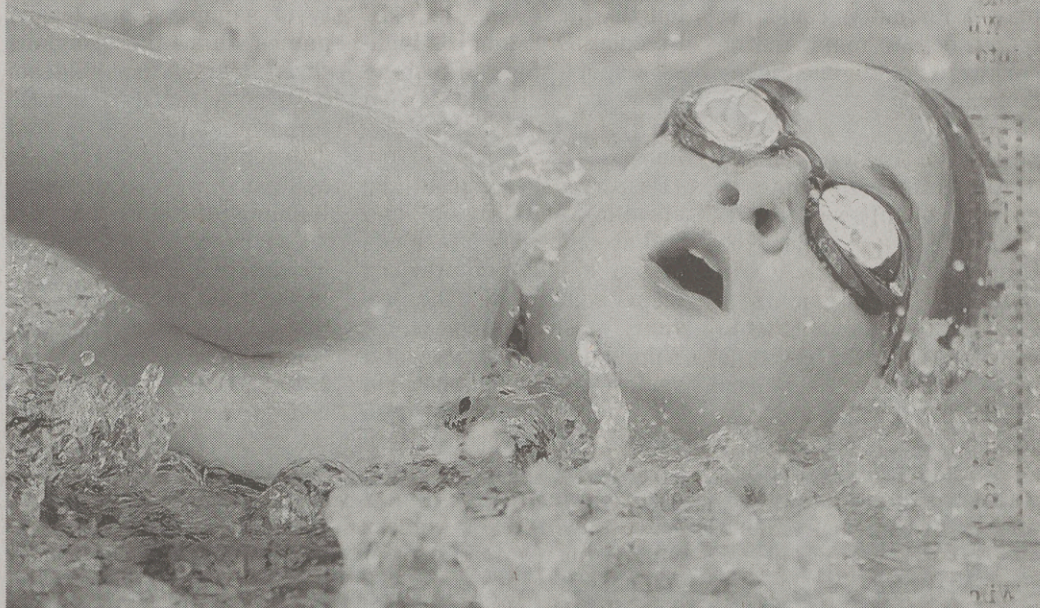
Rounding out the individual performances were three other North Reading residents. Christina Lasdin was 12th in the 100-yard backstroke (1:19.13) and 13th in the 200-yard IM (2:48.77), Nicole Steinmeyer was seventh in the 100-yard breaststroke at 1:24.34 and 90th in the 100-yard butterfly at 1:11.65 and finally, Caroline Schladenhauffen was 21st in the backstroke at 1:34.28 and 79th in the 50 at 37.79.

Closing out the events includes three additional relay teams. The 200-Free group of Lasdin, Steinmeyer, Saunders-Garcia and Melanie Feffer finished fourth at 1:56.91. The 'D' team of Schladenhauffen, Kiera Lord, Rosenthal and Davis finished 26th at 2:46.49, and finally the 400-yard freestyle 'B' group of Curry, Regan, Weiss and Rutherford finished 15th at 5:12.34.

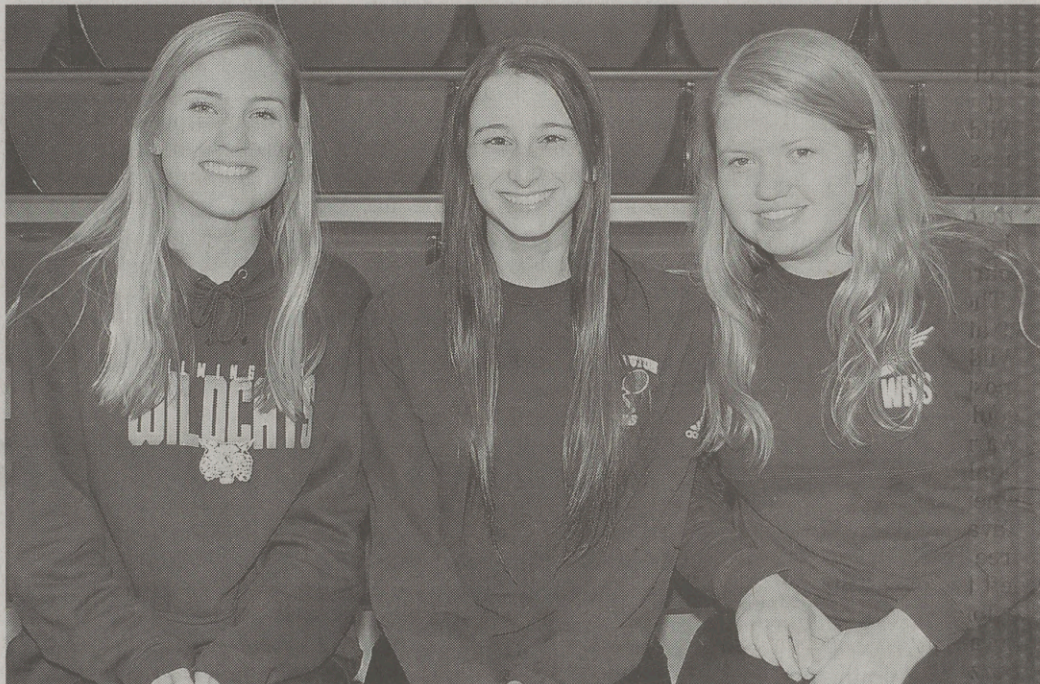
Moving onto the sectional meet on Saturday includes the 200-medley relay (seeded 13th), the 200-freestyle relay (seeded 12th), the 400-freestyle medley (also seeded 12th), Valenti and Molly Feffer in the 50, while the latter also is seeded 25th in the 100-freestyle, and then



Wilmington High sophomore Emma Ryan competes in the 100-yard butterfly event during an earlier season swim meet held at the Burbank YMCA. (photo by Nicole Goodhue Boyd).



Anna Germano in action for the Wilmington-North Reading Co-Op Girls' Swim team during an earlier season meet held at the Reading YMCA. (photo by Nicole Goodhue Boyd).



The three seniors on the first Wilmington-North Reading Co-Op Girls' Swim team includes from left, Ashlyn Finn, Jessica D'Arco and Kassidy Reese. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).

Ryan will be seeded 20th in the 100-butterfly. She will also compete in the 200-freestyle relay, the 200-medley relay and the 400-

Boys swim team finishes the season on a strong note

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

SALEM - After starting the season out with an 0-3 record, the first-year North Reading/Wilmington co-op boys' swim team picked up three wins in the second half of the season.

The team kept that momentum going this past Sunday by finishing in sixth place in the annual Cape Ann League Championship Meet held at Salem State

University.

The other co-op team of Lynnfield/Wakefield won the meet with 464 points and were followed by Manchester-Essex (418), Masconomet Regional (275.5), Triton Regional (274), NR/Wilmington (196), Hamilton-Wenham (190.5) and Ipswich (84).

The NR/Wilmington team is extremely small with nine swimmers, including four from Wilmington, senior Matt Thomas, sophomores

Jared Benoit and Brandon Moy, as well as freshman Jacob Haerer.

The North Reading residents include Chris Mangano, Griffin May, Brandon DeCleene, Jonathan Belinowiz and Henry Pelmas.

For individual results, starting with Thomas, he was 15th in the 50-yard freestyle at 29.16 seconds and was also 18th in the 100-yard freestyle at 1:11.64, which is pretty amazing

since he started the winter season off as a captain on the boys basketball team at WHS, before making the switch to the pool.

Benoit had a fantastic day as he swiped an eighth place in the 100-yard breaststroke at 1:22.22 and was also 13th in the 50-yard freestyle at 28.81 seconds.

Also placing high in two events was Moy, who was clocked at 26.82 to take sixth in the 50-yard freestyle and then 1:24.88 to place ninth in the 100-yard breaststroke.

Finally for the local swimmers, Haerer finished 14th in the 100-yard breaststroke at 1:42.76 and 22nd in the 50-yard freestyle at 31.99 seconds.

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For the five North Reading residents, Mangano led the way as he was third in the 500-yard freestyle at 6:11.66 and seventh in the 200-yard freestyle at 2:20.50. DeCleene was seventh in the 100-yard freestyle at 1:01.48 and tenth at the 50-yard freestyle at 28.00 seconds.

Pelmas had a strong day as he was eighth in the 100-yard backstroke at 1:16.68 and ninth in the 100-yard freestyle at 1:02.89. May was ninth in the 50-yard freestyle at 27.50 and finally, Belinowiz placed 22nd in the 100-yard freestyle (1:22.20) and 32nd in the 50-yard freestyle (47.41).

The 11-members also combined to compete in four relay events. The 400-yard freestyle relay team was clocked at 2:05.85 behind the efforts of May, Pelmas, Benoit and DeCleene.

The 200-yard freestyle relay team of Moy, May, Pelmas and DeCleene, finished sixth at 1:52.85, while the 'B' team of Thomas, Haerer, Belinowiz and Mangano were 11th at 2:05.85.

Finally, the 200-yard medley team of May, Benoit, Mangano and May finished sixth with a collective time of 2:11.71.



The Wilmington residents who joined the Wilmington-North Reading Co-Op Boys and Girls Swim teams include bottom row from left: Brandon Moy, Ashlyn Finn, Jessica D'Arco, Kassidy Reese and Jared Benoit; Top row from left, Anna Germano, Emma Ryan and Jacob Haerer. Missing from photo Matt Thomas and Nicole Ekstrom (late additions to the respective teams). (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).

Gake part of two ranked relay teams

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have the potential to run faster.

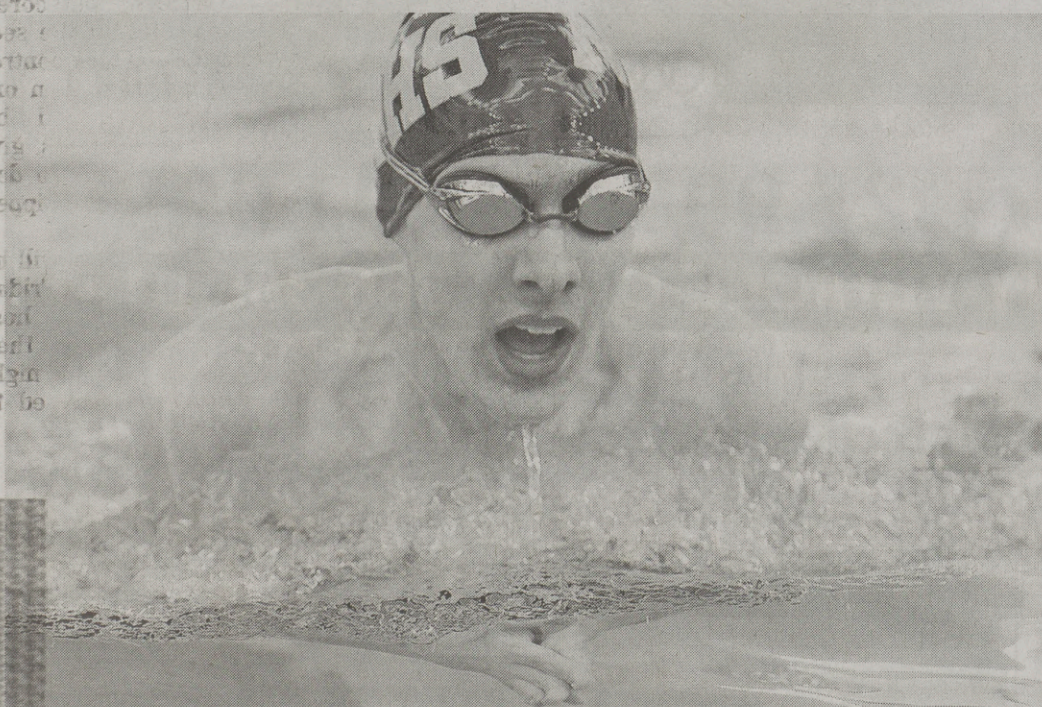
"We will probably try switching around who is on the team and who is running which leg as NCAAs comes closer. It would be really exciting to be able to compete at NCAAs this year because they are in Boston

and our teammates would be able to come cheer us on."

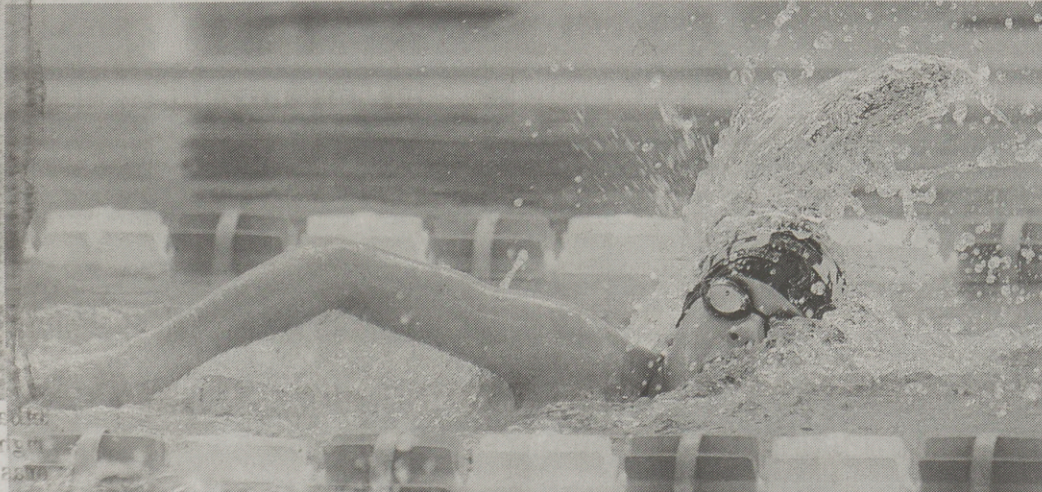
Besides the success in this DMR race, several weeks ago Gake was part of the 4x400 relay team along with Tara Lowensohn, Luana Machado and Hannah Neilen, at the Bowdoin Invitational. The team's

time of 3:59.82 ranks sixth in the nation for Division 3 schools.

Throughout her collegiate career, her personal best times in individual events include 26.89 seconds in the 200, 58.91 in the 400, 1:17.13 in the 500, 1:36.21 in the 600 and 2:19.61 in the 800.



Above, sophomore Jared Benoit and below freshman Jacob Haerer compete in the pool during an earlier season Wilmington/North Reading Co-Op Boys' Swim Meet held at the Reading YMCA. (photos by Nicole Goodhue Boyd).



Tavanese scores 27; drains free throws with 2.8 seconds left Girls Hoop team qualifies for state tournament after a dramatic win

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WAKEFIELD - As they took the court against Middlesex League rival Wakefield, the Wilmington High Girls Basketball team knew what was at stake: win and they were in.

With a 9-4 record heading into Friday's contest, the

over, give up offensive rebounds, etc."

After Tavanese's clutch free throw, Robinson decided enough was enough and wanted to guarantee her team would walk out of Wakefield's gym with a victory.

"I decided we were best just to pack it in the paint and let them take a three

the clock down in a close game."

While Robinson and the Wildcats are hoping for many more wins both in the regular season and the post-season, the coach was happy to get the tournament bid out of the way so she and her team can focus on getting even better heading into the tournament.

"We were excited to get the qualification out of the way, now we will work over the course of our next six games to earn home court advantage for at least the first round of the tournament," Robinson said. "As sloppy as we played on Friday, I think playing a tough and gritty Wakefield team and pulling out a close win will help us down the stretch."

Following their tournament clinching win on Friday night, the Wildcats suffered a bit of a letdown on Tuesday night at home, suffering a 50-29 loss to Middlesex League rival Woburn.

DuCharme led the way for the Wildcats with 11 points and 14 rebounds, while Tavanese was the team's leading scorer with 12 points.

"We failed to protect the ball and struggled to get into any type of offensive flow," Robinson said. "We are hoping to get a couple of good practices in and get back on track Friday."

The Wildcats, who are now 10-5, will be back in action with home games against Stoneham on Friday and Watertown on Tuesday, both games scheduled to begin at 7:00 pm.

It's imperative for the Wildcats to finish strong in their final five games, which also includes games with Melrose (13-3) and then Groton-Dunstable (10-3) and either Arlington Catholic (5-8) or Pentucket Regional (15-1).

If the season ended today, Wilmington would be in a three-way coin flip for spots 6-7-8 in what appears to be a smaller Division 2 North Bracket.

Boston Herald's Division 2 North Girls Basketball Poll

1.	Pentucket	15-1
2.	Tewksbury	13-3
3.	Swampscott	13-2
4.	Melrose	12-3
5.	Wilmington	10-4
6.	Danvers	9-4

Wildcats needed just one more win to qualify for the Division 2 North Sectional Tournament, and nobody had any interest in waiting any longer to secure their spot in the post-season.

It wasn't easy, but the Wildcats took care of business in this one, coming away with an exciting 51-50 victory to improve to 10-4 on the season, and lock up a tournament berth.

The game stood tied at 19-19 at halftime, and while the Wildcats controlled play for most of the second half, they could not shake the Warriors. Wilmington was finally able to ice the game when junior guard Jenna Tavanese put home a clutch free throw with 2.8 seconds left to give them a 51-47 lead before Wakefield hit a desperation three-pointer at the buzzer.

"Wakefield played some tough defense, both times we saw them, and their defense, paired with sloppy play from us kept us from getting into any sort of flow all game," Wilmington coach Jessica Robinson said. "Any time we would start to break away we would turn the ball

(pointer) to avoid fouling and giving up a four point play, or fouling on a drive, giving up an offensive rebound off a missed free throw, as we struggled to rebound all night," Robinson explained of her late game strategy.

The Wildcats were led by another outstanding performance by Tavanese, who continued her great season by scoring a game high 27 points, while sophomore Kylie DuCharme also turned in another great effort, achieving a double-double with 13 points and ten rebounds.

"Jenna was able to score off our press, and knock down some shots to help us stay afloat. Jenna has really been great finishing around the basket lately, and shot selection has also been good. She is a tough person to guard one-on-one, as she is great with the ball," Robinson said. "Kylie has been a solid double-double kid every night with points and rebounds, and she also makes big plays down the stretch, such as a steal or finding the open person when trying to run

WHS Boys Hoop qualifies by the Sullivan Rule

Big fourth quarter leads 'Cats to the playoffs

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BOSTON - Heading into the season, Wilmington High Boys Basketball coach Dennis Ingram had one goal in mind for his team, and that was to qualify for the state tournament.

Even when things looked bleak at some points, the goal never changed for Ingram and his players, as they remained focused on picking up enough wins against Division 3 opponents to qualify for the post season.

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Last Thursday night, the Wildcats accomplished their goal, picking up an impressive come from behind 77-64 road win over St. Joseph's Prep in Boston, to clinch a spot in the playoffs.

The win improved the Wildcats record on the season to just 4-9 overall, but more importantly they are now 4-2 against Division 3 opponents, thereby qualifying them for the Division 3 North Sectional tournament via the Sullivan Rule. It is the second consecutive year

the Wildcats have qualified for the tournament by this route.

In the clinching win, the Wildcats trailed by three points at halftime and by six points early in the fourth quarter and then outscored St. Joe's 32-15 in the fourth quarter to seal the team's fate.

Senior Stephen Anthony led the way with 27 points for the Wildcats, while junior Kevin Palmerino had 19, including a remarkable 15 in the fourth quarter, while senior Chris Stokes chipped in 13 points.

"The boys played with a ton of heart. It was a great moment for the boys, especially Stephen and Chris, our two seniors," Ingram said.

Wilmington took their first lead of the game with 3:20 left on an Evan Witalisz three pointer to make the score 59-58, while moments later Palmerino nailed a three-pointer to make the score 62-58 with 2:44 left. The Wildcats never looked back, finishing the game on a 21-6 run overall, including scoring 15 points in the last 2:30 of the game.

"I'm not sure we missed," Ingram said. "Confidence was through the roof. To be chasing the game for the majority of the game, we needed guys to play to their full potential and have our best quarter of the year, and that's exactly what happened. Going on a 32-15 fourth quarter run was pretty exciting. The kids just played so hard and executed on offense."

While all of the Wildcats were outstanding in the fourth quarter, it was Palmerino who stood out more than anybody with his

15 fourth quarter points, including three 3-pointers.

"I'm not sure he missed a shot, the film is still being broken down right now," Ingram said the morning after the game. "His 15 in the fourth really happened fast, his three pointers and Evan's, seemed to kill St. Joe's energy and effort, nails in the coffin you could say."

Another player who stepped up big time for the Wildcats was Anthony. It should come as no surprise really, as Anthony has led the team all season long in scoring, but Ingram still took great satisfaction in seeing Anthony, along with fellow senior Chris Stokes step up when the team needed them most.

"Stephen was great. He definitely stepped up. It was a big game for us and Stephen scores 27. I cannot say enough about how great he has been and is. Such a great night for him, to accomplish this goal and continuing to work so hard through the ups and downs of a season, he has just been great," Ingram said. "We have a younger team, Stephen and Chris Stokes have been such great leaders. I am so proud of the both of those guys."

"Making the tournament is something that we talked about all season long, and on some nights probably seemed like it was miles away, but those two guys believed and preached about the process, how we would be better in January than December and better in February than January."

There is still plenty of work to do for the Wildcats, as they continue to try and improve down the stretch

and wait to find out who they will be matched up against in the first round of the tournament. But on Thursday night it was all about celebrating achieving a season long goal.

"Making the tournament is the goal. We talk about it all year long, probably every day. The tournament is all about match ups, a lot has to play out but we have played a lot of very good teams this year that have made us better when we get to play Division 3 teams," Ingram said. "The kids were so engaged last night, everyone (was). It really was great to be a part of, great environment, big plays being made and at the end lots of smiles."

Following their big win over St. Joe's the Wildcats stepped back into their

Middlesex League Division 2 schedule for a pair of road games, and despite their best efforts, suffered a pair of losses, falling to Wakefield by a score of 84-54 last Friday night and then to Woburn on Tuesday night by a score of 80-41.

In the loss to Wakefield, the Warriors outscored Wilmington 24-8 in the second quarter and took control of the game from then on. Wilmington was led by Anthony with 28 points, giving him 55 over a two day span, while Stokes chipped in with eight points.

The Wildcats (4-11) will be back in action on Friday night when they host Stoneham and then Watertown on Tuesday night with both games slated to begin at 5:15 pm.



Above, sophomore Kylie DuCharme tries to box out Weston's Ariana Linoxilakis and below, senior Gabriella Bond goes up strong to the hoop in the same game.

(photos by Jim Vaiknoras).



Wilmington High sophomore Evan Witalisz handles the ball and looks down court to make a play during the 'Cats game against Lexington held recently. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).



The senior members on this year's WHS Boys Basketball team includes Stephen Anthony, left, and Chris Stokes, right. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).

Shawsheen outkicks Gr. Lowell

Boys race to the program's fifth State Voc Championship Title

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LYNN - Heading into last Thursday's State Vocational Championship Meet, the consensus was the meet would come down to one of two teams, either Shawsheen or Greater Lowell.

Behind two school record breaking relay teams and four other individual first places, the Rams were able to capture their fifth championship title in the history of the program by barely getting by the Gryphons. Shawsheen finished with 313 total points compared to 288 for Gr. Lowell. Blue Hills (180), Minuteman (166), Northeast (140), Gr. Lawrence (110) and host Lynn Tech (105) rounded out places three through seven.

"I have coached swimming in the parochial and private districts, I also coach in Winchester, and I wouldn't trade these Shawsheen kids with anyone," said head coach Rick Menard. "Especially the seniors. They have to balance their course load and trade. They have their academic shops and they had their sports teams. On top of that, they have to go out and get a job with their trade and skills from school, and they have to go to that job, maybe leave early so they can get to practices. They just have to balance so much and it's incredible how they do it. Then they go out and win a meet like this. It's just awesome."

The story in this meet was the relay teams. The 400-yard freestyle team of Cody Biancozzo, Wilmington resident Derek Costello, Jonathan O'Neill and Tewksbury resident Damien Hadden finished first time a collective time of 3:44.95, which broke the school record set back in 1986.

"Going into the meet, thinking they would break the school record never entered my mind," said Menard. "I never thought they had a shot at that record. We had three seniors and one sophomore and they

were motivated, to not only win but put their names up on the record board. It was an amazing performance by all of them and for them to break the record set back in 1986 really means something. (Former coach) Anthony Fiore was a member of that '86 team."

Earlier it was Biancozzo, Amaan Shaikh, O'Neill and Hadden who also broke the school record in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a collective time of 1:42.49.

The other individual first places came from Hadden in the 100-yard backstroke (1:05.11), Biancozzo in the 50-yard free (25.72) and O'Neill in both the 100-yard free (56.44) and 200-yard free (2:04.81).

Hadden's fourth event of the day was the 200-yard IM and he finished second at 2:22.07, while, Cameron Hudson also earned a Silver in the 100-yard butterfly (1:07.49).

The 200-yard medley relay team of Aiden Singh, Shaikh, Hudson and Wilmington resident Derek Costello finished third with a time of 2:04.22. Costello was also third in the 100-yard butterfly (1:09.86) and sixth in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:23.72).

"Oh what a season and career for Derek," said Menard. "He has already been elected as a captain for next year's team. His sprint freestyle (on the medley relay) was just unbelievable. He finished with a 57.79 split for his 400-free and that is just undogly fast. He just missed the MIAA sectional cut."

Singh was third in both the 100-yard backstroke (1:14.45) and 500-yard freestyle (5:48.25).

Wilmington resident Zachary Morris took home a fifth place in the 100-yard free (59.95), while Connor Maguire in the 100-yard backstroke (1:18.15), Shaikh in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:21.75) were also fifth. Morris also finished seventh in the 100-yard butterfly (1:14.59).

A number of other local swimmers from Wilmington



The Shawsheen Tech Boys Swim and Dive team celebrated after winning the Voc State Meet Championship Title last Thursday. (courtesy photo).

and Tewksbury also pitched in with solid performances to help the team capture the title. From Wilmington, Ryan Callahan was seventh in the 200-yard IM (2:41.84) and ninth in the 500-yard freestyle (6:49.18). Tyler Newhouse was clocked at 2:41.13 to take tenth in the 200-yard free (2:41.13) and was 17th in the 100-yard free (1:11.44). Kevin Stevens was tenth in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:30.74) and 31st in the 50-yard free (33.05) and Harry Germano was 17th in the 500-yard free (7:31.96).

Probably the biggest surprise - besides the 400-yard freestyle record - came from Ralph Desrosiers. He finished 15th in the 50-yard freestyle (29.72) which earned him a new spot on the 200-yard freestyle relay 'B' team which finished fifth at 1:57.10.

"Ralph is a senior and he came out for the team for the first time this year," said Menard. "He wanted to stay in shape for his other sports. When tryouts began, he was forced to stay in the shallow end of the pool and was

allowed to go into the deep end because he was a drowning risk. He would go a few strokes, then hang onto the wall, go another five strokes and hang on to the wall.

"He just continued to work and work with his teammates to get better and more comfortable in the pool, and look here he is finishing fifteenth at this meet. His start in the 50-Free was amazing and his race was simply awesome. It's the best one I've seen from him all season."

That performance in the 50-yard freestyle forced Menard to make a change in the upcoming 200-freestyle relay.

"I had to pull off another senior who had been on that team because Ralph dropped seven seconds off of his previous best time in the 50 and he just crushed everyone who was against him in his heat. None of us have any idea where that came from. It was an unbelievable (50) race for him and he was also very strong in that relay."

Tewksbury residents who competed include Cole Privetera, Michael Bankowski and Paul Tower. Privetera was seventh in the 1-meter diving competition scoring 132.10 points and was also ninth in the 100-yard backstroke (1:22.83).

Tower picked up a 13th place in the 100-yard backstroke (1:34.18) and an 18th place in the 200-yard free (3:05.08) and Bankowski was 19th in the breaststroke (1:50.81) and 30th in the 50-yard freestyle (32.76).

A handful of other non-local swimmers also did well in this meet. Shaikh also picked up a fifth in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:21.75) and a sixth in the 200-IM at 2:40.69. Tyler Kopacz was 17th in the 50-yard free (30.52) and 13th in the 100-yard free (1:08.89). John Zembeck was 16th in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:45.06) and 33rd in the 50-yard free (33.34).

Joe Desrochers was ninth in diving with 119.40 points and was also 18th in the 100-yard backstroke at 1:50.67. Vincent Lopez was eighth in

the backstroke at 1:20.27 and tenth in the butterfly at 1:22.80.

Biancozzo also swiped a sixth in the 100-yard free at 1:00.58, while Ryan Johnson was 26th at 1:16.48, Jasiri Hensley was 31st at 1:20.97 and Christian Giannion was 33rd at 1:25.02.

Additionally, Maguire was fifth in the 100-yard backstroke at 1:18.15, Hudson picked up a sixth in the 500-yard free at 6:18.37 and Giannion (17th at 1:47.36) and Hensley (21st at 1:54.85) followed in the same event and in the 100-yard backstroke, Johnson was 14th at 1:41.20.

Finally three 'B' teams competed in the three relay races. The 400-yard freestyle team of Singh, Maguire, Kopacz and Hudson were fourth at 4:16.34, Desrochers joined Kopacz, Morris and Callahan to finish fifth in the 200-yard free at 1:57.10 and then it was Privetera, Lopez, Callahan and Morris, who finished sixth at 2:11.81 in the 200-yard medley relay.

And the dynasty rolls on for the Girls team -- 13 straight titles

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LYNN - In Monday morning's Boston Globe, the headline for the New England Patriots Super Bowl victory read "The Dynasty Rolls on."

Certainly the same could be said about the Shawsheen Tech girls' swim-and-dive team.

On Thursday, the Rams captured their 13th straight State Vocational Championship title by compiling 365 points which was better than Gr. Lowell (310), Northeast (169), Blue Hills (160), Gr. Lawrence (125), host Lynn Tech (70) and Minuteman Tech (28).

While every title is unique and special, certainly this one caught sixth-year head coach Rick Menard off-guard.

"To win it 13 straight years

is just unbelievable," he said. "I never expected this in fact. I always thought that all good things will come to an end. We lost four really good swimmers from last year's team, who were part of three very successful relay teams that went on to the sectionals and state meets, and some of those girls are swimming now in college."

"We were relatively young heading into the season so I didn't anticipate this at all. During the first week of practice, we were actually teaching swimming lessons. For us to go from that point to winning this meet, just shows the growth of the program and the hard work the kids put in."

"I just think this is unreal - especially since we really didn't have too many individual champs. The difference was getting points from

so many different kids."

Individually, only senior captain Carli Spada of Wilmington, came home with an individual title as she won the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:20.81. She was also a part of the winning 200-yard relay freestyle relay team along with Tayla Tildsley, Jacqueline Megna and Erica Schafer with a combined time of 2:09.43.

Spada then joined Tewksbury resident Kasey McFadden, Wilmington resident Celina Barczak and Schafer to finish second in the 200-yard relay medley relay with a combined time of 2:31.10.

Tildsley added a second place in the 50-yard free (32.82) and a third in the 100-free (1:16.19). Schafer was right behind finishing third in the 50 (33.83) and seventh in the 100 (1:21.13). Barczak was also fourth in the 100-

yard relay breaststroke (1:38.07) and Megna was second in the 100-yard butterfly (1:28.81) and fifth in the 200-yard freestyle (2:47.50). McFadden picked up a fourth in the 100 (1:17.44) and a sixth in the 100-yard backstroke (1:34.06).

Then Tildsley, Kinsey Boutwell, Wilmington resident Jamie Quintiliani and Megna were second in the 400-yard freestyle relay with a collective time of 5:03.65.

Quintiliani had quite the meet. She was also fifth in the 500-yard freestyle at 8:04.28, seventh in the 200-yard freestyle (3:01.57) and part of two success 'B' relay teams, but those place finishes didn't count towards the team's total points.

"Jamie had a great day," said Menard. "She was solid in the relay, she was fifth in the 500 where she dropped 35

seconds off her previous best which is outstanding. She was just awesome in that event. She also was seventh in the 200-free, so she was impressive in this meet."

Three other Tewksbury residents had solid performances. Jorielle Arlock was 15th in the 50-yard free (41.23) and also 15th in the 100-yard backstroke (1:48.93), Rebecca Langone was 14th in the 50-yard free (41.07) and 15th in the 100-yard free (1:34.03).

"This year we had a few kids who all of a sudden wanted to swim and Rebecca was one of them," said Menard. "This was her first time being a competitive swimmer now she finishes 14th in the 50 and 15th in the 100. That's just unbelievable."

Tewksbury's Hannah Grimes was 18th in the 100-yard free (1:38.20) and 19th in the 50-yard free (43.18), while Danielle Liscio was fifth in the 100-yard backstroke (1:33.42) and eighth in the 500-yard freestyle (8:19.84).

Wilmington resident Becca Marsh who was fifth in the 50-yard free (35.78) and tenth in the 100-yard butterfly (2:01.43).

"Before this meet, Becca had never swam the butterfly in a competitive meet before," said Menard. "She did it in practice and that was it. Before she competed, I just told her that I didn't care how long it took her to finish, but I wanted to make sure that she was technically sound so she didn't get disqualified. For her to do this race for the first time and finish tenth, help the team by scoring points, was just really, really special."

Fellow Wilmington residents Karlie Reese was eighth in the 50-free (38.01) and Olivia Roy was 20th in

the 100-backstroke (1:54.00).

Besides the local swimmers, many other members of the team also put forth strong efforts in a number of different events. Jenna Boudrot was tenth in the 200-yard freestyle (3:33.47) and 19th in the 100-yard free (1:38.84); Kinsey Boutwell was second in the 100-yard backstroke (1:25.56) and fourth in the 200-yard IM (3:09.58); Taylor Sacco was fifth in the 1-relay diving competition scoring 64.10 points and was also tenth in the 200-IM (4:01.94); Katie MacElhiney was seventh in the 200-IM (3:35.88) and 14th in the 100-yard backstroke (1:47.65);

Also, Monique Lazelyan was sixth in the 50-yard free (36.80) and 11th in the 100-yard freestyle (1:28.31); Lee Singer was fifth in the 100-yard free (1:19.88) and tenth in the 500-yard free (8:29.72); Alexis Vio was ninth in the 50-yard free (38.73) and 11th in the 100-yard backstroke (1:44.19); Dillion Lavalley was sixth in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:48.24) and tenth in the 100-yard free (1:27.89); and Stephanie LaFond was fifth in the breaststroke (1:43.00) and 11th in the 500-yard free (8:30.14).

Shawsheen also had three 'B' teams' compete in the three relay events but their place finishes didn't count towards the team's total points. All three teams finished with fifth places.

The 200-yard medley team was Quintiliani, Lavalley, Boutwell and LaFond and they had a time of 2:44.11. The 200-yard freestyle team was comprised of Liscio, McFadden, Singer and Reese and they finished at 2:23.01 and then the 400-yard freestyle team had LaFond, Singer, LaValley and Boudrot and they combined to finish at 5:54.17.



The Shawsheen Tech Girls Swim and Dive team celebrated with their 13th straight State Voc Championship Meet title on Thursday. (courtesy photo).

Wilmington resident ends successful four-years in the pool

Lone captain, Spada, made quite the impact

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LYNN - Although Carli Spada may be disappointed with the fact that Thursday's meet didn't go exactly as she had planned, she certainly made a big splash when it comes to the impact that she made as a competitor and mostly this season as the lone captain of the Shawsheen Tech Girls swim-and-dive team.

The senior from Wilmington closed the book on her successful swim career by leading the Rams to their 13th straight State Vocational Championship title held at Lynn Tech's pool.

Besides being a part of four straight State Voc Team championship titles, she's also has a long list of incredible accomplishments both as an individual swimmer and part of various relay teams.

As a sophomore, she was a part of the 200-yard medley relay team along with Debra Boudrot, Hayley Ferguson and Kendra Swift, who combined to break a program record with a time of 2:09.27. That record still stands today.

Last year she was a part of the dramatics for the Rams. Trailing Gr. Lowell in the final event, she joined Taylor Giordano, Ferguson and Swift to win the 400-yard

freestyle relay event with a time of 4:35.28. That come from behind win concluded her monstrous day. Earlier in the meet, she was crowned the State Voc Champion in both the 100-yard butterfly (1:18.83) and the 200-yard freestyle (2:24.14), and also joined the same three girls to capture the 200-yard freestyle relay championship title with a time of 2:24.14.

Then came last Thursday. She repeated as the State Voc Champion in the butterfly (1:20.81), was part of the first place 200-yard freestyle relay (2:09.43) with Tayla Tildsley, Jacqueline Megna and Erica Schafer, and was also a part of the second place 200-yard medley relay (2:31.10) along with Kasey McFadden, Celina Barczak and Schafer.

Spada's great and extremely busy day started with the 200-medley relay. She was the third leg on the anchor, swimming the butterfly.

"We were happy with the second-place finish," said Spada. "I don't really remember the specifics of the race because everything happened so fast, but I know we were behind a bit, then we caught up, and then we got second. I would say that we were happy."

Spada was then asked about recovering from that first event.

"That was a lot of effort,"



Wilmington resident Carli Spada competes in the Mixed 200-Yard IM during an earlier season swim meet. She completed a very successful career, while serving as the girls' team captain this season. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

she said. "To be able to do the butterfly two lengths (of the pool) is exhausting," she said. "I did the butterfly most of the meet so you do get tired."

She was able to get about a 20-minute break in before her next event, the 100-yard breaststroke.

"Carli had a hiccup in her 100-yard breaststroke event," said head coach Rick Menard. "She ended up getting DQ'd - the official saw something on her flip at the turn. I didn't agree with the call. She was frustrated and disappointed thinking that she let her team down and

that we would be trailing Gr. Lowell (for the team title)."

Spada said that she does struggle sometimes on flips and turns with her feet.

"I got DQ'd and I'm not really sure why," she said. "It had to do with my kick and I twisted my feet the wrong way. I know a bunch of other swimmers also got DQ'd from it. That event is tricky for me. I was disappointed and upset when it happened because I knew that our team lost a lot of points because I got DQ'd. But after that, there were so many other swimmers on our team who picked it up (to get those points back)."

Spada was able to recuperate from her disappointment. In fact, she refocused mentally and physically and kicked some tail in her final two events of her high school career.

"After the DQ, Carli came back to win the 100-yard butterfly with a great time of 1:20.81. In that race, she beat one of her teammates by eight seconds and she was almost a pool length ahead of (Gr. Lowell's top swimmer)," said Menard.

Spada was asked if she felt added pressure to win the butterfly event, especially coming off the breaststroke event and coming in as the returning champion.

"You always have pressure no matter what," she said. "It's nice though to be the State Voc champion again. It means a lot to me. It's been four years of practices and to win small titles like this makes all of that worthwhile."

Spada said that she started swimming competitively at the Reading YMCA when she was in the seventh grade. She had previously played other sports like soccer and basketball, but quickly seemed to grasp to the water.

"I really like it," she said. "Swimming is one of those individual sports where you can really push yourself. It's also a team sport. You need the team work, the sportsmanship and the support from your teammates, so it's not all about individuals. You see everyone up cheering each other on during every race and you couldn't do what you need to do with-

out their support, so I like that part too."

Before the season started, Spada was elected the girls' lone captain, and that seemed to have taken her by surprise a bit.

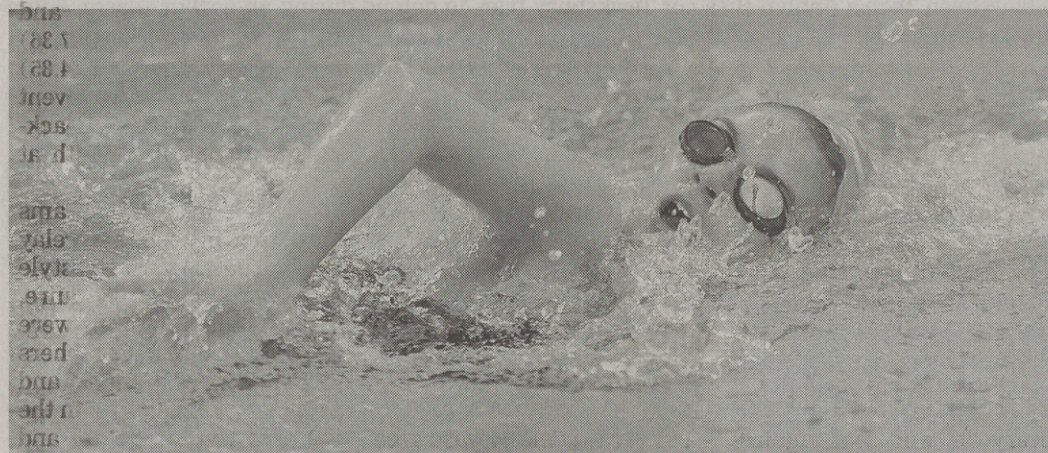
"I was surprised that there was just one captain for the girls' team," said Spada, who has a younger sister, Gianna, who is a sophomore at Wilmington High and plays field hockey and runs track. "I was surprised that so many people voted for me. I got a lot of help from the three captains on the boys' team. They were really helpful."

Thursday's meet ended Spada's high school career. She said that she has applied to four colleges, including UNE, Mass College of Pharmacy, UMaine at Augusta and Regis College, with the plans of studying Dental Hygiene.

"I'd like to continue to swim (competitively) so we'll see where I end up going to college," she said. "If this is it and I reflect back to my time here, I'll be proud. I know I'll come back next year to visit the team and I can look up at the wall and see our names up there as part of that (school record 200-yard medley relay team) and that will be pretty cool."

Menard certainly hopes she comes back and visits. He said captains like Carli Spada are difficult to come by.

"Carli's the Team Mom," he said. We have almost fifty girls on the team and Carli is the one who handles so much stuff. She's the one who handled giving out the bathing suits to every girl before the season started and that's no easy job trying to figure that all out. She keeps the team together, she's a true role model and she's just been a really special captain for us."



Celina Barczak of Wilmington, competes in the Mixed 200-yard freestyle relay during an earlier season meet. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

Rams were defeated by Gr. Lowell in final dual meet of the season

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Back on January 25th, the Shawsheen Tech Co-Ed Swim team fell to Gr. Lowell in the final dual meet of the season, closing the Rams' record to 4-4 on the season.

The meet was highlighted by the two individual first places, with Damien Hadden winning the Mixed 200-yard IM at 2:21.94 and Jonathan O'Neill winning the Mixed 50-yard free at 25.68 seconds. Finishing behind Hadden was Cameron Hudson, who was third at 2:23.75 and Aidan Singh, who was sixth at 2:38.66. Ryan Callahan was third in the 50-yard free at 26:87 with Monique Kazelyan sixth at 37.21.

Derek Costello was second in the Mixed 200-yard free with a time of 2:20.05 with Tayla Tildsley fifth at 3:03.66 and Stephanie LaFond sixth at 3:07.52. Carli Spada was also second in the Mixed 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:16.49 and finishing behind her included Vincent Lopez (3rd at 1:21.43) and Danielle Liscio (6th at 1:43.48).

The final individual second place came from Tyler Kopacz in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 1:05.09. John Zembeck was fifth at 1:16.14 and Kazelyan was sixth at 1:29.01.

In the Mixed 100-yard butterfly, Hudson was second at 1:14.21, Spada was third at 1:20.80, followed by Bankowski, who was sixth at 1:46.96. In the Mixed 500-yard freestyle, Harry Germano was fourth at 7:40.10, Jamie Quintiliani was fifth at 8:18.04 and Liscio was sixth at 8:43.17.

In the 100-yard breaststroke, Amaan Shaikh was third with a time of 1:23.37 and behind him included Kasey McFadden with a fifth at 1:44.60 and Kinsey Boutwell, who was sixth at 1:47.77.

In the relay races, the 200-yard Mixed Freestyle team of Cody Biancozzo, Zachary Morris, Connor Maguire and Jasin Hensley were second at 1:57.87. The second foursome included Tyler Newhouse, Erica Schafer, Paul Tower and Becca Marsh and they finished fifth at 2:20.64, and then Jacqueline Megna, Taylor Tildsley, Jenna Boudrot and Rebecca Langone were sixth at 2:30.13.

In the second heat, the first group consisted of Kevin Stevens, Ryan Johnson, Christian Giannion and Joe Desrochers and they were second at 2:23.52, the second group had Lee Singer, Dillon LaVallee, Katie MacElhaney and Olivia Roy and they were fourth at 2:39.15, and finally the third group was Stephanie LaFond, Taylor Sacco, Jorielle Affock and Hannah Grimes and they finished fifth at 2:23.52.

Finally, the 400-yard free relay team of Biancozzo, Shaikh, O'Neill and Hadden finished first at 3:52.92. The team of Callahan, Hudson, Spada and Germano were third at 4:45 and then Schafer, Quintiliani, Liscio and Kazelyan were sixth at 4:02.49.

LEAGUE ALL-STARS

On Monday night, the Commonwealth Athletic Conference announced its league all-stars and on the boys' side, Damien Faddad, Jonathan O'Neill and Cody Biancozzo were recognized and on the girls' side, it was Carli Spada and Taylor Tildsley.

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Boys and Girls Hoop and Hockey Round-Ups

Rams disappointed with loss to Mystic Valley

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It was a mixed bag of results for the Shawsheen Tech Girls Basketball team this past week, as the Rams went 1-1 in a pair of CAC games, dropping a 46-33 decision on road to Mystic Valley last Friday night before bouncing back with an impressive 56-33 win over Lowell Catholic on Tuesday night.

The games were both rematches of early season contests, and each result was in stark contrast to the first meeting. In the Rams first meeting with Mystic Valley early in the season they had lost a very competitive 47-40 contest, but in last Friday's game they were unable to contain Mystic in the fourth quarter, as they entered the frame holding a one-point lead only to see it disappear into a 13-point loss.

"Last Friday's loss was unexpected in my opinion," Shawsheen coach Kate Marshall said. "The first time we saw them this season we battled it out and I feel like the team has made significant strides since the third week of December. This time around I knew we were without the home court advantage, but felt we had prepared for the matchup. Heading into the fourth we had one point lead and couldn't make anything happen against their defense."

Leading scorers on the night for the Rams were Brooke Johnson with ten points and Susanna Gillis with seven.

It was a similar role reversal on Tuesday night. The last time the Rams had faced Lowell Catholic, they had eked out a 46-43 win back on December 27, but this time around, Shawsheen was in complete control on their way to the 56-33 win.

Shannon Fitzgerald led the way for the Rams with 13 points and ten rebounds, while Gillis had 13 points and four rebounds.

With the 1-1 week, Shawsheen is now 11-5 on the season, and has clinched a spot in the state tournament. The Rams will be back in action on Friday night when they host CAC rival Whittier Tech at the Cook Street Pavilion with a 5:30 pm tipoff.

BOYS HOOP

The Shawsheen Tech Boys Basketball Team had yet another big win on Friday night over the Mystic Valley Eagles who came in as the number one team in the CAC this season. The Rams took down the 12-1 Eagles by the score of 85-84 in overtime. The Rams led for most of the game but the Eagles battled back and tied the game at 66-66 at the end of regulation.

Leading the way for the Rams was junior Jalen Massengill who had a game high 28 points. Senior Zach Mickle finished with 23 points. Mickle went 11-for-11 from the free throw line in overtime. Senior Jared Rizzo had nine points and senior Jon Pilla had five points.

"This was no doubt our best win of the season. I was so proud of the way our guys never gave up," said Rams head coach Greg Bendel.

The Rams are now 12-3 overall and will travel to Whittier on Friday for another pivotal CAC league matchup. The Rams game on Tuesday night against Greater Lawrence was cancelled while the Reggie's head coach dealt with an unfortunate death in the family.

"Hopefully our guys will keep coming together and working hard and finish the regular season strong," said Bendel.

GIRLS HOCKEY

The Shawsheen Tech Girls Hockey team suffered a pair of losses this past week, dropping their record on the season to 0-11-1, but several players showed continued improvement despite the two losses, leaving coach Bob Roach optimistic for both the rest of this season and into the future.

In the Rams 8-3 loss to St. Joseph's last Wednesday night they got all three of their goals from sophomore forward Emily Sartori of Wilmington. Sartori, along with her linemates, senior Julia Ryan of Wilmington and freshman Amber Hurley, have given the Rams some scoring punch at the top of their lineup.

"Emily has been a really good player for us. She goes to the net well and she has a nice wrist shot as well," Roach said. "She and Julia

and Amber play off each other really well. That is our strongest unit right now."

The Rams second line, led by seniors Olivia Munroe and Emily Morris has also been stepping up their game as of late.

"They are both putting their best foot forward and have been playing well," Roach said. "They are both seniors, so it is nice to see them stepping up like that."

Defensively Shawsheen has been led by junior defenseman Susan Doubek, along with freshman goalie Sydney Neault of Tewksbury.

"Sue has been really solid for us. She is one of our captains along with Emily (Sartori) and Julia and she has been doing a good job for us," Roach said. "Sydney has been playing well. She has a great glove hand. I don't think anybody can beat her to her glove side. I know it doesn't show up in the scores, but she is facing 45 or 50 shots a night, so it is kind of hard for her to stop everything."

With just five games left in the season, Roach is hoping to see his team continue to improve down the stretch as they build towards next season. But he also has one more goal for this season.

"I would like to see us get a win," Roach said. "I think that would be a big confidence boost for them. But we are also building for next season. Our kids are getting more experience and hopefully they will continue to work hard over the summer and come back even better next season."

BOYS HOCKEY

The Shawsheen Boys Hockey team went 1-1 this past week, dominating in their 5-1 win over Minuteman last Thursday night at the Hallenborg Pavilion before suffering a 5-0 loss to Dracut on Super Bowl Sunday.

With their 1-1 week, the Rams are now 7-3-5 overall, but more importantly they are now 7-1-1 in the CAC. With the win over Minuteman, the Rams closed in on their second consecutive CAC title, and can clinch the crown with a win over CAC rival Northeast this Saturday. Second place Northeast is currently 3-2-2 in the CAC.

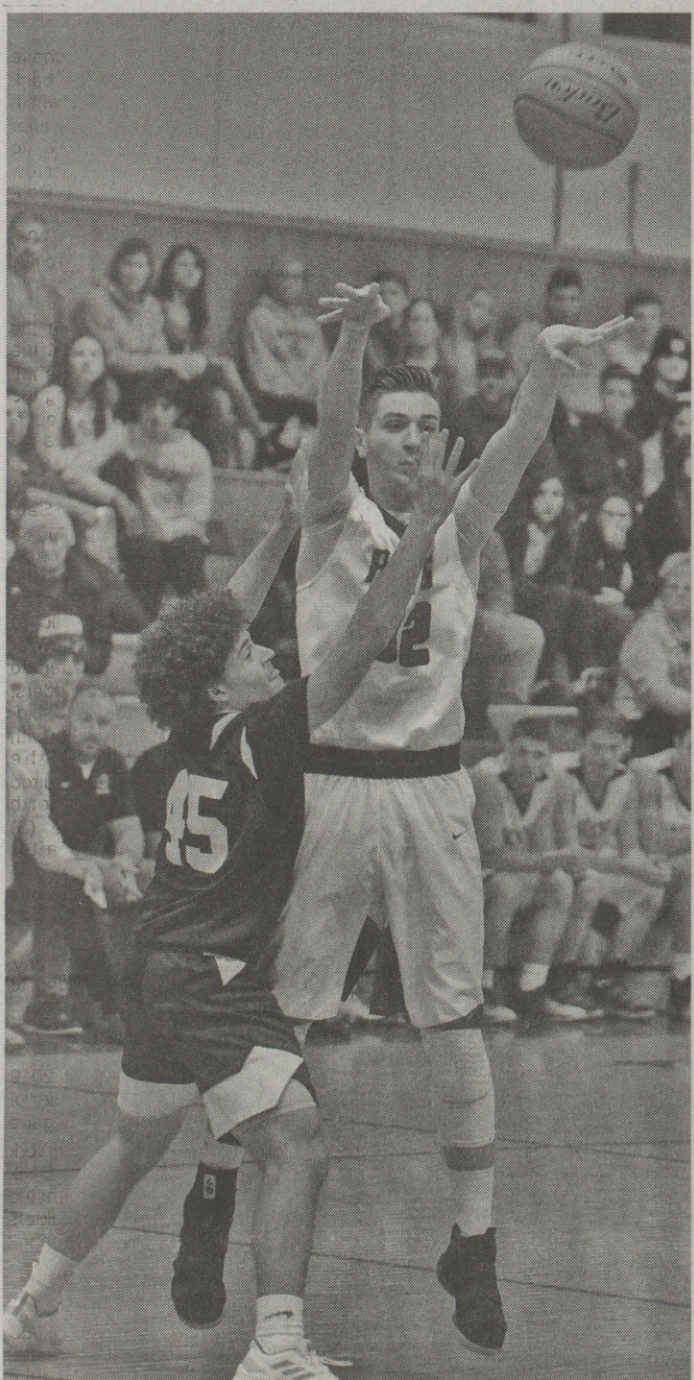
In the win over Minuteman, the Rams dominated from the start, going out to a 3-0 lead at the end of the first period. Junior defenseman DJ Williams of Tewksbury got the Rams off to a quick start with a goal just 3:22 into the game, scoring on a slap shot from the point the beat the



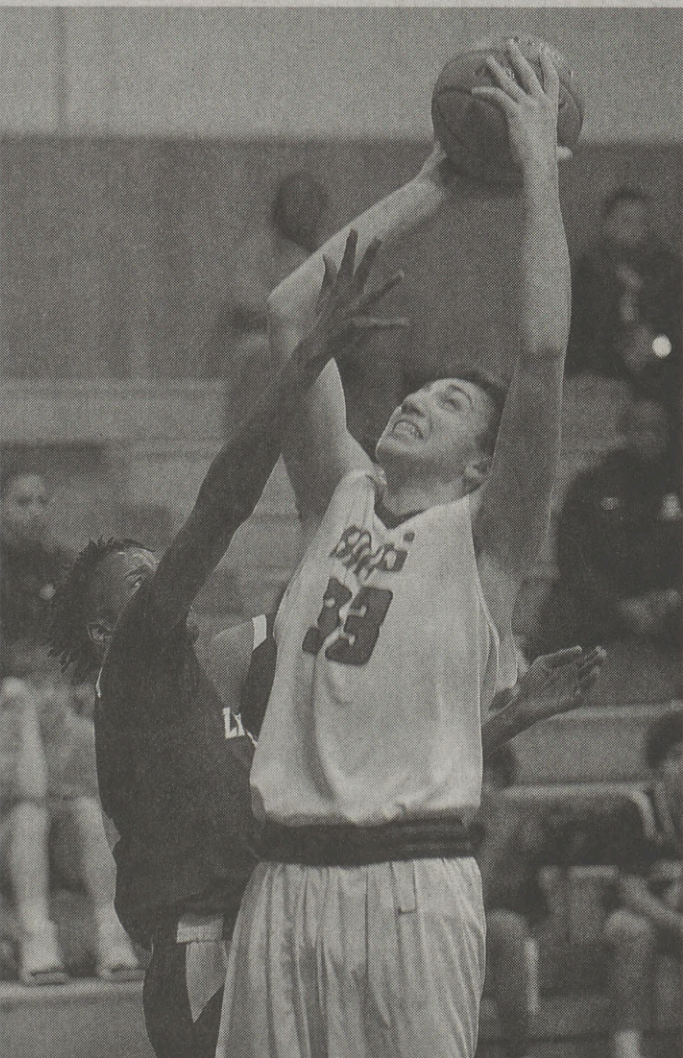
Shawsheen Tech's Ashlyn Bisso of Tewksbury tries to defend during an earlier season home basketball game. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).



Nathan Silva skates ahead and looks ahead to make a play for the Shawsheen Tech Boys' Hockey team in a recent home game. (photo by Bob DeChiara).



Shawsheen's Jared Rizzo of Tewksbury looks to pass against Lynn Tech during a recent home game. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).



Santino Garofalo of Tewksbury goes for the put-back after grabbing an offensive rebound during a recent CAC Boys Hoop game. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).

from Silva and senior captain Beau Ramsey, and the Rams were off and running. Minuteman opened the second period on a 5-on-3 power play and wasted little time in taking advantage of the opportunity, making the score 3-1 just 1:13 into the period, but that would be the last time they would beat junior goalie Kam Neault of Tewksbury, who was solid between the pipes all night for the Rams.

Any momentum that Minuteman might have gotten from their power play goal was quickly squashed when Silva scored his second goal of the game and his

seventh of the season less than a minute later to make the score 4-1.

Senior forward and assistant captain DJ DeRose of Wilmington would close out the scoring for the Rams with 7:45 left in the game on assists by senior forward Owen Sullivan and sophomore forward Anthony Papa.

The Rams will be back in action on Thursday night when they host non-league rival Lynn at the Hallenborg for a 7:10 faceoff before traveling to the Malden Valley Forum to take on CAC rival Northeast on Saturday night at 5:30.

NECC to host Athletics Open House, February 19

Northern Essex Community College is holding its first athletics open house on Tuesday, February 19, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., followed by a home men's basketball game. Prospective and current students will have the opportunity to meet with coaches and student athletes.

This event, which is free and open to the public, will be held in Lecture Hall A in the Spur Building on the Haverhill campus, 100 Elliott St. Northern Essex supports 13 sports teams including baseball, men and women's basketball, men and women's cross country, men's soccer, men and women's track & field, women's volleyball, men and women's golf and men

and women's Esports. Additional information can be found on the NECC athletic website at <https://www.necck-nights.com/information/directory/index>

The evening will open with a welcome at 4:30 p.m. followed by speakers from the admissions and financial aid offices. There will be break-out session with coaches and current NECC student-athletes. At 6 p.m. attendees are invited to walk to the Sport and Fitness Center to watch the basketball game. Light refreshments will be served.

For additional information, contact Blair at 978-556-3820 or email him at dblair@necck.mass.edu.

Shawsheen's Grapplers finish 2-1 at the elite Division 1 Duals

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

sports@yourtowncrier.com
With post-season tournaments just around the corner, the Shawsheen Tech Wrestling team geared up for what they hope will be a lengthy tournament run by competing against some of the best teams in the state this past Saturday at the Massachusetts Coaching Association Division 1 Duals, held at Franklin High School.

The meet, which featured the top 16 Division 1 programs in the state, was a great test for the Rams. Ranked No. 3, Shawsheen responded to the test in fine fashion, going 2-1 on the day, beating Lowell, 48-21, and Framingham, 42-25, before falling to undefeated and top ranked Springfield Central in the semifinals, 49-23.

The 2-1 day leaves the Rams, who are ranked second in the state of Massachusetts, with a 25-4 overall record on the season. Shawsheen closed out its regular season on Wednesday night against third ranked Haverhill in the team's final tune-up before Saturday's Division 1 North Sectionals get underway at Methuen High School.

Of Shawsheen's four losses this season, two have come to Springfield Central and two have come to schools from Connecticut.

"We wrestled well,"

Shawsheen coach Mark Donovan said. "Beating Lowell and Framingham were big wins for us. Springfield Central is loaded and they are number one for a reason. They should have been the number one seed."

With Springfield Central being the No. 2 seed instead of No. 1, despite being ranked number one in the state, the Rams were forced to face them in the semifinals rather than the finals where Springfield Central went on to defeat number one seed St. John's Prep to capture the title.

Under normal circumstances, Shawsheen and West Springfield, who had lost the other semifinal to St. John's Prep, would have met to determine third place, but with sectionals coming up this weekend, and with both teams facing tough opponents on Wednesday, the coaches decided not to face each other.

Shawsheen had defeated West Springfield earlier in the season by a score of 46-26.

In the matches they did wrestle, several Shawsheen grapplers had big days, starting with senior Omar Eldaly of Wilmington, who kept his undefeated season intact with a 3-0 day at 220 pounds and at heavyweight, winning two matches by pin and one by major decision.

"He is a leader every day

for us and he had a great day," Donovan said. "The kids respect him and his work ethic is second to none."

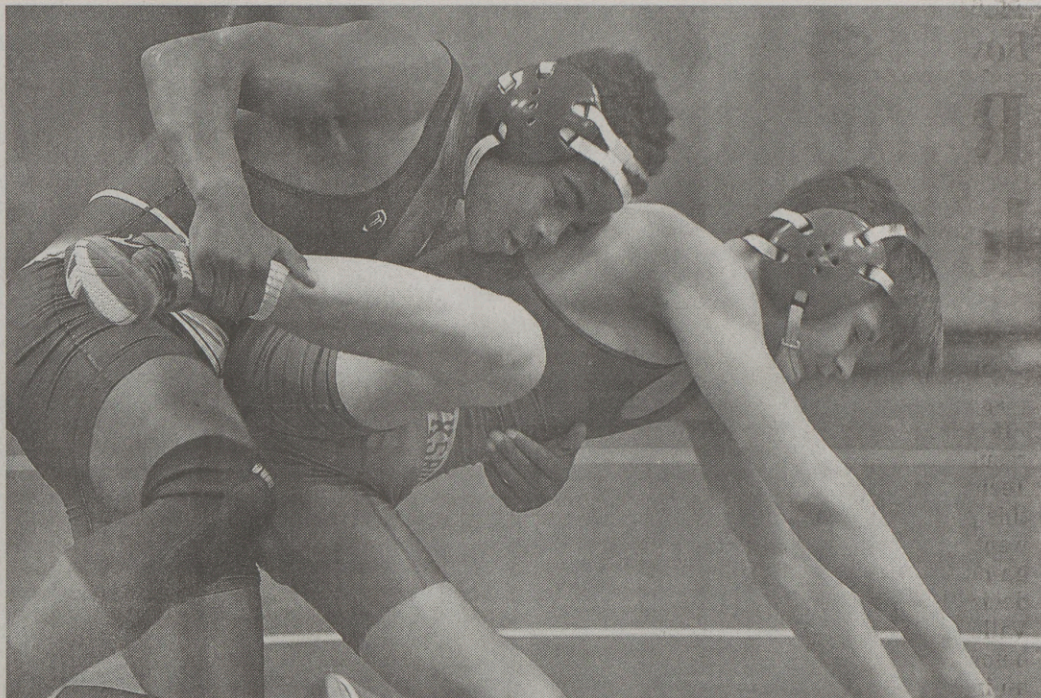
Austin Dube (113 and 120) and Frank Foti (120 and 126) also each went 3-0 on the day, with Dube winning all three of his matches by pin, and Foti winning with one pin, one technical fall and one major decision.

Freshman Joe D'Ampolo of Tewksbury went 2-1 at 106 pounds, winning one of his matches by pin and the other by sudden victory, while Mike Steen of Wilmington also went 2-1 at 170 pounds, winning one of his matches by pin.

"Joe is wrestling really tough right now. He is really wrestling well," Donovan said. "He works hard in the room and he does all the little things that become big things to make him better. And Mike is wrestling really well. He had a good day. Hopefully he can carry that into the sectionals."

Vinny Foti returned to action for the Rams after missing several weeks due to injury and he looked good in his return, going 2-1 on the day, with both of his victories coming by pin.

"He was a little rusty, but he is back in the room and he is working hard," Donovan said. "He is another one of our leaders and he is just going to keep getting better."



Tewksbury's Jake Garland and Shawsheen's Deondre Turner battle in the 145-pound weight class during the two teams non-league meet held two weeks ago. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).

Last Wednesday, Shawsheen defeated Burlington 63-14. Frank Foti, Brian Caldwell, Justin Merrifield, Vincent Foti, Deandre Turner, Stephan St. Jean, Michael Steen, Will Amaral, Andre Comeau, Omar Eldaly and Kevin Merrino-Rivas all picked up victories in their matches.

Shawsheen faced an out-

standing Haverhill squad on Wednesday with results not known as of presstime.

"It is going to be number two versus number three going at it, so you know it is going to be a great night of wrestling," Donovan said. "We will see what we are made of. It will help us get ready for sectionals."

The sectionals will kick off

on Saturday morning and needless to say with the great season the Rams are having, Donovan's expectations for his team are sky high.

"I expect us to do very well," Donovan said. "It is just the first step for us. We have 14 kids wrestling in sectionals and I expect to take 14 kids to states."

Pee Wee 2's pick up 13th win of the season

The Wilmington Pee Wee 2 youth hockey team took its 13-5-0 record to the Burlington Ice Palace Sunday to face off against an 11-8-1 Wellesley squad.

Wellesley was no-doubt looking to avenge a 4-3 loss just three weeks ago at the hands of these very Wildcats at the Malden Forum.

With the Super Bowl set to take place in a few hours, the big game was looming large in everyone's mind as Coach Todd Flynn patrolled the bench with a Belichick-like confidence that his team would implement his game-plan and wouldn't disappoint.

The Cats' came out just the way fans have become accustomed to this season, strong, fast and determined as they felt their way around their opponent early in the game. The Ryan Flynn, Jake Carr and Matty Newhouse line generated a quick one to open things up

at 10:49 when Carr found the back of the net from Newhouse to put Wilmington ahead 1-0.

The second frame started even faster, this time with forward Jase Mansi putting one home from defenseman Derek Sun at 11:11 to make it 2-0 in the Wildcats favor.

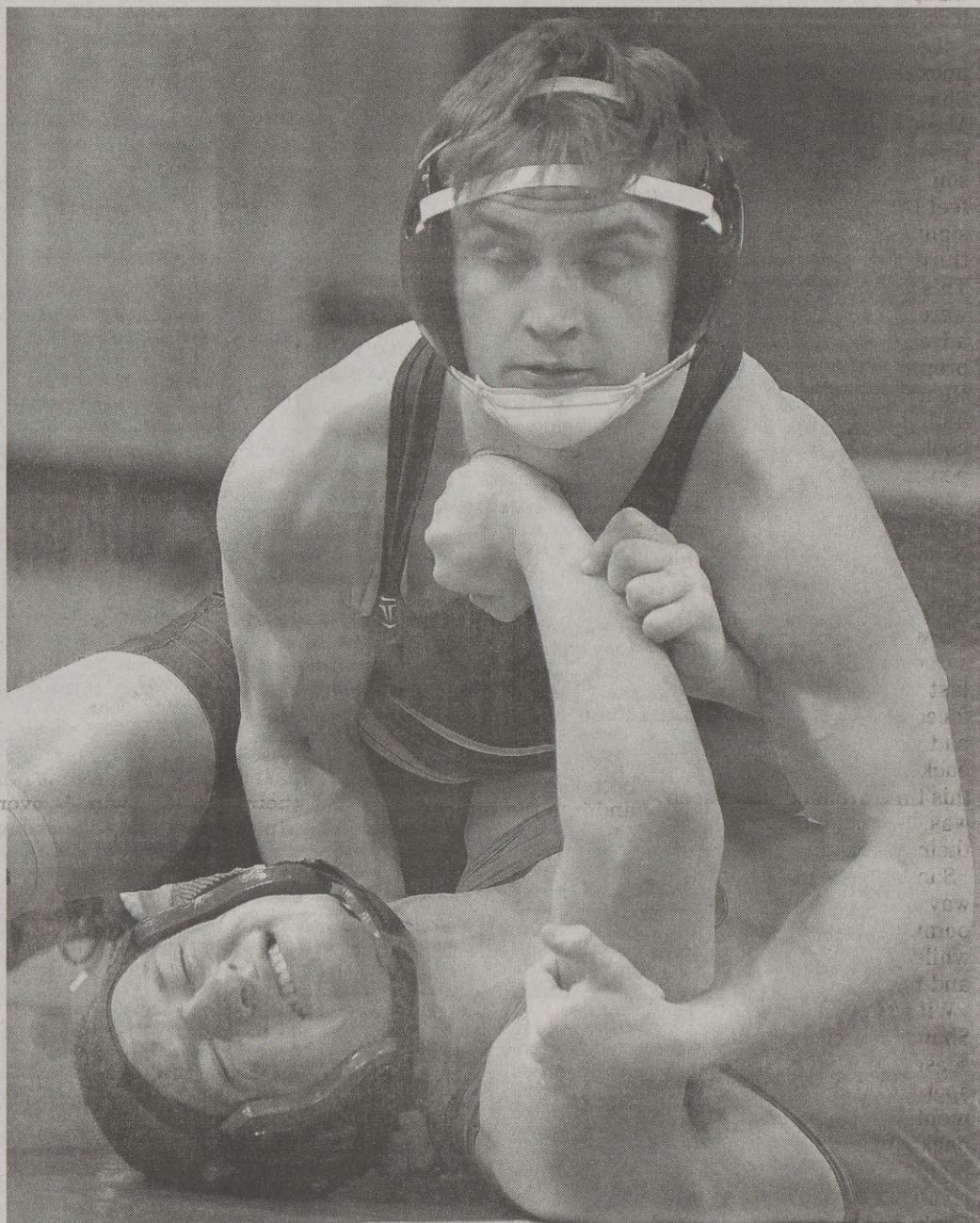
That score would hold until the final 00:03 seconds of the period when old friend Jake Carr would crank out his second of the game, assisted by Connor Lynch and Mansi to give the Cat's a 3-0 advantage.

The final period saw the Wildcats put their foot on the gas and never let up in this one as their defense was too much for anything Wellesley tried to put together. Corrine Foley, Connor Lynch, Nick DiGiovanni and Derek Sun snuffed-out break after break as fast as Wellesley could cross the Cats' blue-line.

Wilmington Goaltender

Dylan Ward was solid as a rock as well, stopping 18-of-19 shots, while the strong defensive help, corner work, and hustle all afternoon from forwards Ryan Weinstein, Ryan Flynn, and Aaden Caralis helped Wilmington blow this game wide open as it progressed.

Wilmington would pour on four goals in the third period, making fans wonder if Tom Brady and Julian Edelman weren't the only dynamic-duo in town? They netted two goals a piece in the period as Mansi completed his own hat trick while Carr totaled four in the game. They surely didn't do it alone though as assists on the third period goals went to Devin Medeiros (2), Corrine Foley (2), Matty Newhouse and goaltender Dylan Ward jumped in on the action with an assist to close out the game at 7-1.



Tewksbury's Cam Cimmino and Shawsheen's Justin Merrifield battle in the 138-pound class. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Michelle L. Magliozzi to First Franklin Financial Corporation, dated December 23, 2004 and recorded in the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 18249, Page 156, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

First Franklin Financial Corporation to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company on behalf of Certificate holders FFMLT Trust 2005-F2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-F2, recorded on January 7, 2010, in Book No. 23668, at Page 242

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 5:00 PM on February 18, 2019, on the mortgaged premises located at 20 ARLENE AVE, WILMINGTON (Wilmington), Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

File No.: 103861

Borrower: Magliozzi, Michelle
Locust: 20 Arlene Avenue, Wilmington Massachusetts

EXHIBIT A

A certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situated in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and being shown as Lot #225 on a plan entitled "Definitive Subdivision Plan of Elmwood Village, Wilmington, Massachusetts, Subdivided: Jackson Bros. Inc., Scale: 1 inch = 100 feet, dated October 24, 1972; K. J. Miller Co., Inc. Civil Engineers & Land Surveyors," recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds as Plan Book #116, Plan #88, and being further bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY AND EASTERLY: by Arlene Avenue, by a curved line in two (2) measurements, two hundred nineteen and 91/100 (219.91) feet and 76/100(12.76) feet; respectively;

SOUTHERLY: by Lot #224, as shown on said plan, one launched fifty-eight and 66/100 (158.66) feet,

SOUTHWESTERLY: still by Lot #224, as shown on said Plan, twenty-six

NORTHWESTERLY: by Lot #226, as shown on said Plan, TWO hundred fifteen and 35/100 (215.35) feet to point of beginning.

Said Lot #225 continuing 24, 771 square feet of land, according to said plan. Said premises are conveyed subject to and with the benefits of easements covenants and restrictions of record, insofar as the same are in force and applicable.

For my title see deed recorded at Book 16437, Page 184.

For mortgagor's(s) title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 16437, Page 184.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR FFMLT TRUST 2005-F2, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-F2
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, MA 02458 (617)558-0500 2017040464 193003 1/23,30, 2/6/19

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by James E. Traynor III and Denise Traynor to "MERS", Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a separate corporation that is acting solely as nominee for "Lender", Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. and its successors and assigns dated October 26, 2005 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 19459, Page 142, as assigned by Assignment of Mortgage dated August 2, 2011 and recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds, Book 25150, Page 139, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM, on February 20, 2019, on the premises known as Unit No. 63 in Building 11 of the Roper Estates Condominium, 63 Heritage Drive, Tewksbury, Massachusetts, the premises described in said mortgage, together with all the rights, easements, and appurtenances to wit:

Registry of Deeds in Book 3110, Page 55 as the same may have been amended ("Master Deed"), in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Chapter 183A of the Massachusetts General Laws, as the same may have been or may hereafter be amended ("Chapter 183A"). The Unit is more particularly described in the Master Deed, and is hereby conveyed together with the undivided percentage interest in the common areas and facilities of said Condominium appertaining to said Unit as provided for in said Master Deed ("Percentage Interest"), and together with any other rights set forth in the Master Deed or in any instrument creating, conveying and/or affecting said Unit, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable, including, without limitation, the exclusive easements, use or licenses, etc. to common areas, driveways, decks, porches, parking spaces and storage spaces, if any ("Other Rights").

Said Unit, Percentage Interest and Other Rights are conveyed subject to covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, easements, rights, agreements, obligations, liens for assessments, options, powers of attorney, phasing rights, limitations on title and other provisions to wit:

from time to time pursuant thereto, and the related Site Plans and Floor Plans as duly recorded in said Registry of Deeds and as any of the above may have been and may hereafter be amended from time to time pursuant to the respective provisions thereof, and subject to the terms, conditions, restrictions and easements as contained in any instrument creating, conveying and/or affecting said Unit, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable.

Terms of Sale: These premises are being sold subject to any and all unpaid real estate taxes, water rates, municipal charges and assessments, condominium charges, expenses, costs, and assessments, if applicable, federal tax liens, partition wall rights, statutes, regulations, zoning, subdivision control, or other municipal ordinances or bylaws respecting land use, configuration, building or approval, or bylaws, statutes or ordinances regarding the presence of lead paint, asbestos or other toxic substances, sanitary codes, housing codes, tenancy, and, to the extent that they are recorded prior to the above mortgage, any easements, rights of way, restrictions, confirmation or other matters of record.

and all state and county deeds excise tax. The deposit of \$10,000.00 is to be paid in cash or bank or certified check at the time and place of the sale, with the balance

ance of the purchase price to be paid by bank or certified check within forty-five (45) days after the date of the sale, to be deposited in escrow with Gueatta and Benson, LLC, at 73 Princeton Street, Suite 208, North Chelmsford, Massachusetts.

In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder or, thereafter, to the next highest bidders, providing that said bidder shall deposit with said attorney, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within five (5) business days after written notice of the default of the previous highest bidder.

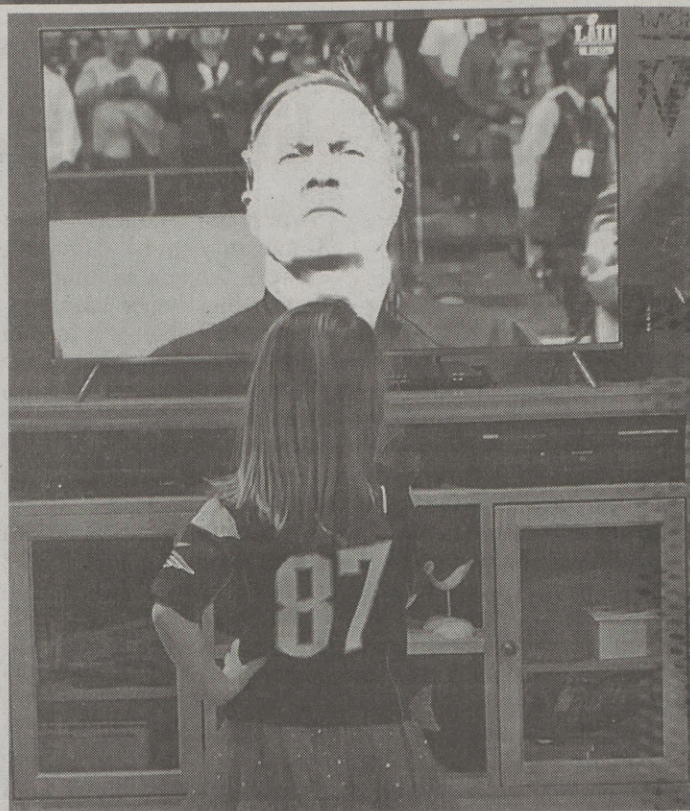
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Dated: January 23, 2019
Present holder of said mortgage
The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWARS, Inc.,

By its Attorneys
Gueatta and Benson, LLC
Peter V. Gueatta, Esquire
P.O. Box 519
Chelmsford, MA 01824
190089 1/30, 2/6,13/19

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To the left, a large group of WHS Sophomores watched the Patriots victory on Sunday. The group includes Bosco the Boxer, and front row from left, Aidan McGrath, Jerry Copson, Patrick Xavier, Chase Anderson, Anja Jensen, MaKayla Costa, Owen Surette, Isabel Manning, Molly Dugan, Kiara Nadeau; second row from left, Audrey Tobin, Ashley Macgillivray, Isabella Capozzi, Olivia Dennett, Hannah Parr, Annabelle Kane and Emma Ryan; and back row Patrick O'Mahoney, Brian Dunfee, Sam Jeurgens and Sean Riley.

Above, Jordyn Doviak, age 5, watches coach Bill Belichick during the National Anthem. (courtesy photos)

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LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF WILMINGTON

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for furnishing the following item: **Installation of Above Ground Storage Tank for Diesel Fuel Project** will be received at the Office of the Town Manager at the Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 until the time specified below at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of the Town Manager Monday through Friday or by emailing wmartiniello@wilmingtonma.gov or at the Town's website: <https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department>.

Bids will be opened in Room 9 at the Wilmington Town Hall on March 6, 2019, at 10:00am. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security consisting of a **BID BOND, CASH, or CERTIFIED CHECK** issued by a responsible bank or trust company in the amount of 5% of the bid price.

Bidders interested in scheduling a Pre-Bid Site Visit can contact Joseph Lobao at the Wilmington Department of Public Works at 978-658-4711.

A performance bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total amount of the contract price with a surety com-

pany qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be required for the faithful performance of the contract, as well as a labor and materials bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total contract price.

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to G.L. c.30, §39M. Attention is directed to the minimum wage rates to be paid as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development and the weekly payroll record submission requirements under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 through 27D inclusive.

Selection of the contractor will be based upon bidder qualifications, including evidence of past performance in similar projects, and bid price. The contract will be awarded to the bidder deemed by the awarding authority to be the lowest responsible and eligible bidder.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

The Town of Wilmington, MA
Jeffrey M. Hull,
Town Manager
190140 2/6/19

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING

SPECIAL PERMIT FAMILY SUITE

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on February 25, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Joseph Collins for a Family Suite Special Permit under Section 3400 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw for a family suite not to exceed 1,000 square feet as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 41 Mill Street, Assessor's Map 99, Lot 88, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Stephen Johnson,
Chairman
190121 2/6,13/19

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
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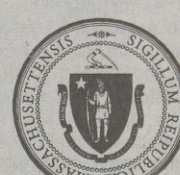
Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on February 25, 2019 at 7:05 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Petra Clement for a Family Suite Special Permit under Section 3400 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw for a family suite not to exceed 1,000 square feet as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 69 Temple Street, Assessor's Map 93, Lot 33, zoned Residential.

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Stephen Johnson,
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LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate
and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No.
M19P0360EA

Estate of:
Monette Olga Parrott
Also known as:
Monette O. Parrott,
Monette Parrott
Date of Death:
11/18/2018

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Francis J. Parrott, III of Nashua NH requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Francis J. Parrott, III of Nashua NH be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 02/21/2019.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.

Date: January 24, 2019
Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate
190129 2/6/19

'Cats can't shake things up enough during losing streak

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including being blanked twice.

In Saturday's loss to Melrose, the 'Cats managed 29 shots on net and the game before, a disappointing 2-1 loss to Lexington (4-10-3), Wilmington outshot the Minutemen 16-9 in the first period, only to be outshot 14-3 in the second and eventually losing the game by one goal.

Wilmington head coach Steve Scanlon decided to shake up his forward lines against Melrose and execution wise, that didn't seem to work either. Throughout the game, Wilmington continued to turn the puck over. Besides the lone goal coming late in the first period, the 'Cats could not materialize much at all in the Marauders' end.

"The effort was good but it comes down to fundamental hockey," said Scanlon. "Our stick-skills and decision making are not good. There's multiple unforced stick errors every game where pucks are right off of our sticks without being checked so that impedes what you are doing because pucks are just sliding to (a player on the other team) and away they go."

"We (also) made a couple of defensive coverage mistakes which led (Melrose) to goals. They converted on some chances that they got and when we got chances, we didn't convert. To me, you have played too much hockey (this season) to be making the mistakes that we're making."

Scanlon was asked about the shifting up the lines, which included bumping up sophomore Peter Kourkoutas to a regular shift on the third line.

"I didn't want to put all of our goals on one line. We're getting goals from nowhere now," he said. "We now have scored just five goals in our last seven games. That's not good. Before (the losing streak) we were at least putting the puck in the net. It was good to see a goal come from another place today. We had expectations of having (a spread out offensive attack but it's not happening)."

Melrose took a 2-0 lead in the first period before the 'Cats were able to get on the board. Defenseman Matt Pendenza made a nice rush into the Melrose end. After his shot was turned to the side of the net, Melrose tried to turn and head the other way but the puck was kept inside the zone by forward Andrew Sullivan, who was covering for Pendenza. Sully then pushed the

puck back to Pendenza at the right side of the net. He then slid a beautiful pass across to the off-wing allowing Christian Robarge to drive one home to the back of the net making it a 2-1 game.

The 'Cats were able to head into the locker room trailing by just one goal thanks to the play of goalie Alex Fitzler, who was making his first varsity start between the pipes.

On Friday night, away from the ice arenas, starting goalie Anthony Cuozzo slipped on ice and injured his ankle and was told that he would be out most likely for 7-10 days. Just a sophomore, Fitzler was thrown to the wolves and was simply tremendous in all three periods.

In the first period, he stopped a break-away and shortly after that he made a nice leg save on a 2-on-1 break.

In the second period, his top save came in the glove coming on a shot from the low slot area.

In the third period, Fitzler completely robbed Melrose's Brendan Fennell, sliding from left to right and making a sprawling right pad save. Fitzler ended up making 29 saves.

"He was outstanding," said Scanlon. "We are real proud of him. That's a tough situation to be thrown into a game against a potential Super-8 team. They are 10-1-5, a hard-working team and they are a very good team. They bring it and come right at you."

"(Fennell) is a real nice player and their younger kids are just really tough players. They have many really good players on that team and underneath this group is two or three classes loaded. If those kids stay at Melrose High, they are going to be loaded for the next three-to-five years."

In the loss to Lexington, Ryan Barrett scored the lone goal, unassisted, while, Zack Kincaid had a real strong game. Cuozzo was also impressive in the net making 27 saves.

Trailing 2-1 with four minutes to go, the Wildcats were called for two separate penalties and had to kill off a 5-on-3. Cuozzo was eventually pulled for the extra skater and Wilmington had a terrific chance to tie it up, but couldn't convert the chance coming in the final seconds.

The 'Cats have seven games left on the schedule and certainly could make a great run down the stretch, much like the team did last year finishing 9-3 in the last 12 games after the ugly loss to Arlington.

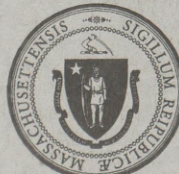
The 'Cats faced Burlington on Wednesday with results not known as of presstime. That will follow with a home game on Saturday against Wakefield (3-9-2), a trip to Medford (6-6-2) and then a home game with Stoneham (9-5-0) on Wednesday as part of the team's four games in eight days stretch.

The 'Cats will then conclude the season with three more home games with Matignon (0-16-1), Shawsheen (7-3-5) and Tewksbury (11-3-1).

Wilmington was defeated by Burlington and Stoneham, 2-1, and Wakefield, 3-1, earlier this season. Medford has lost three games in a row, while, the 'Cats have won four straight non-league games (five straight meetings in all) over the Mustangs. Shawsheen has struggled against sub-par MVC teams, Matignon was blown out 8-0 by Stoneham, while Tewksbury has surprisingly won 11 games this season with five freshmen taking regular shifts.

The 'Cats need to finish 6-1 to qualify for post-season play with a 10-10 record, or need to go at least 2-1-1 against Wakefield, Stoneham, Shawsheen and Tewksbury to qualify under the Sullivan Rule.

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TRUST CITATION

Docket No.
M19P0426PO
In the matter of:
Zimmerman Family
Irrevocable Trust

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by: Sharon J. O'Brien of Wilmington MA requesting that this Honorable Court terminate the non-charitable irrevocable trust in ac-

cordance with M.G.L. c. 203e and grant other relief more fully described in said petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 02/26/2019.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 29, 2019
Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate
190138 2/6/19

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING

SPECIAL PERMIT SITE PLAN SPECIAL PERMIT COMMUNITY VILLAGE OVERLAY DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on February 25, 2019 at 7:10 P.M. at 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by ACC Realty, LLC for a Special Permit, Site Plan Special Permit and Community Village Overlay District

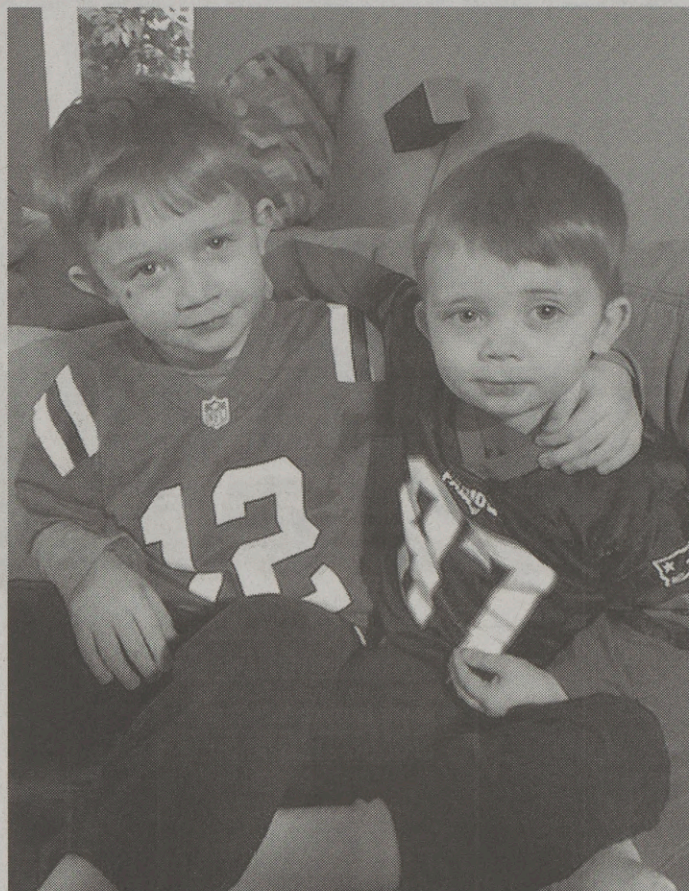
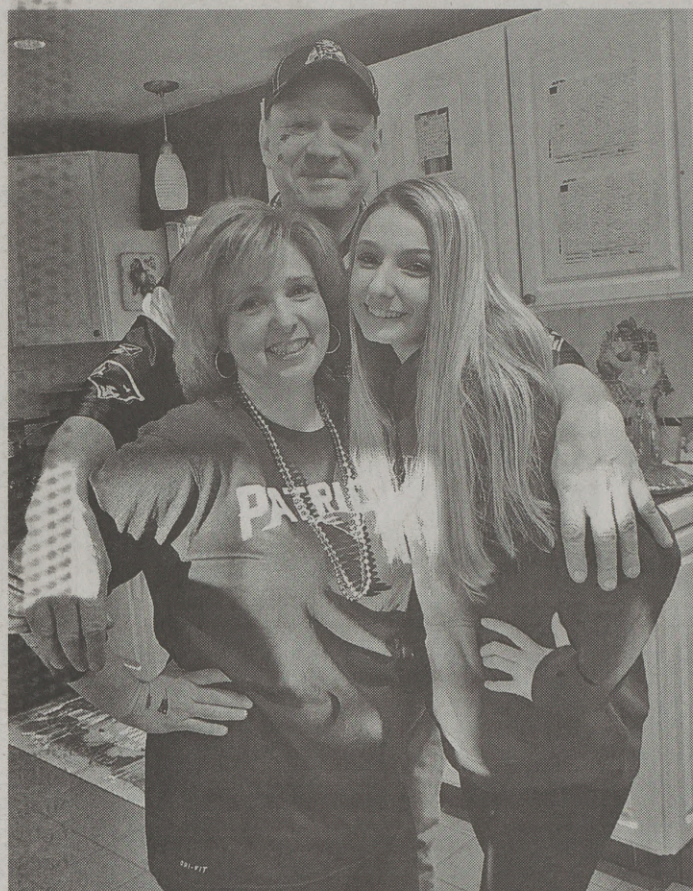
Special Permit to raze existing building structures and construct six (6) townhouse structures which will include a total of twenty (20) townhomes as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 1037 North Street, 1547 Andover Street, 1553 Andover Street and 1563 Andover Street, Assessor's Map 39, Lots 45, 46, 47, 48, zoned Residential and Community Village Overlay District.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday-Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Stephen Johnson,
Chairman
190142 2/6,13/19

Wilmington enjoys the Patriots winning No. 6



Starting top left and going clockwise, Gina, Anthony and Alyssa Schuurman; Braden and Connor Nee; Jenny Lee Yukna and Kyle Curtis from outside the stadium; Caryn Goulet, Rachel Granara, Mike Spinazola, Jim Goulet and Stan Souza at their annual party, while Lynda Spinazola took the photo; and longtime friends and classmates from left, George Ferdinand (class of 1980), John Johnstone (WHS Class of 1983), Frank West (WHS Class of 1980) Scott Richards (WHS Class of 1980) Dave Johnstone Shawsheen Tech Class of 1980, all watched and enjoyed the Patriots victory on Sunday. (courtesy photos).



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